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May Not Be Resumed

London, To-day.

London quarters are beginning to envisage circumstances in which the Anglo-Japanese negotiations in Tokyo, which have been hanging fire for a week, may not be resumed at all.

No date have been fixed for re-opening of the discussions on the Tientsin Concession, says the political correspondent of the "Financial News," who adds the warning that there is still a possibility that they may not resume at all.

"EASTLAND" RAIDERS BREAK INTO DEFENCES

London, To-day.

That the "Eastland Air Force" which was given the task of attacking Britain from across the Channel had succeeded in reaching the south of England is reported in the "Daily Express."

In the official communique on Tuesday evening, it was stated that "Westland" had been able to detect all attacks of the enemy air force.

The "Daily Express" declares that by making skilful use of banks of clouds, Eastland bombers managed to escape the attention of the defenders.

This morning's press reports further that in the course of the manoeuvres two planes crashed in Essex. A more detailed account of the accidents is not yet available. — Trans-Ocean.

EIRE'S MINISTER TO CANADA

The Irish Minister for External Affairs has gone to Canada to attend the Conference of Commonwealth Ministers. He is to speak at the Canadian Parliament on August 10th. — Trans-Ocean.

The correspondent suggests that there are grounds for supposing that the British Government would be ready to find a compromise solution of the Chinese currency and silver problems, on the basis of surrendering the silver to the Japanese and continuing to support the Chinese currency.

Yesterday, however, political observers were doubtful whether the Japanese would be ready to accept a solution satisfying only part of their demands, and if the attitude of Britain remained as firm as it was reported to be, those who prophesy a breakdown of the negotiations may prove right. — Reuter.

LONDON COMMENT ON ANGLO-JAP NEGOTIATIONS

London, To-day.

The British Ambassador returned to Tokyo yesterday from a weekend holiday and last evening according to Tokyo press reports, he had a private conversation which lasted for some time with Mr. Kato, the Japanese Minister-at-large, who has played an important part in recent negotiations.

Resumption of formal conversations on Tientsin will await receipt by Sir Robert Craigie of further instructions from London.

In the meantime, a most unfavourable impression has resulted here from the attack of British ships at Tchang. — British Wireless.

the first time in its history, has sent an envoy to a member of the British Empire. — Trans-Ocean.

EXPORT GUARANTEE FOR SOVIET?

London, To-day.

The "Daily Express" to-day reports that the Soviet Union is to receive an export credit guarantee of £10,000,000 in order to balance the trade account with Britain. — Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE REPORT NOT CONFIRMED

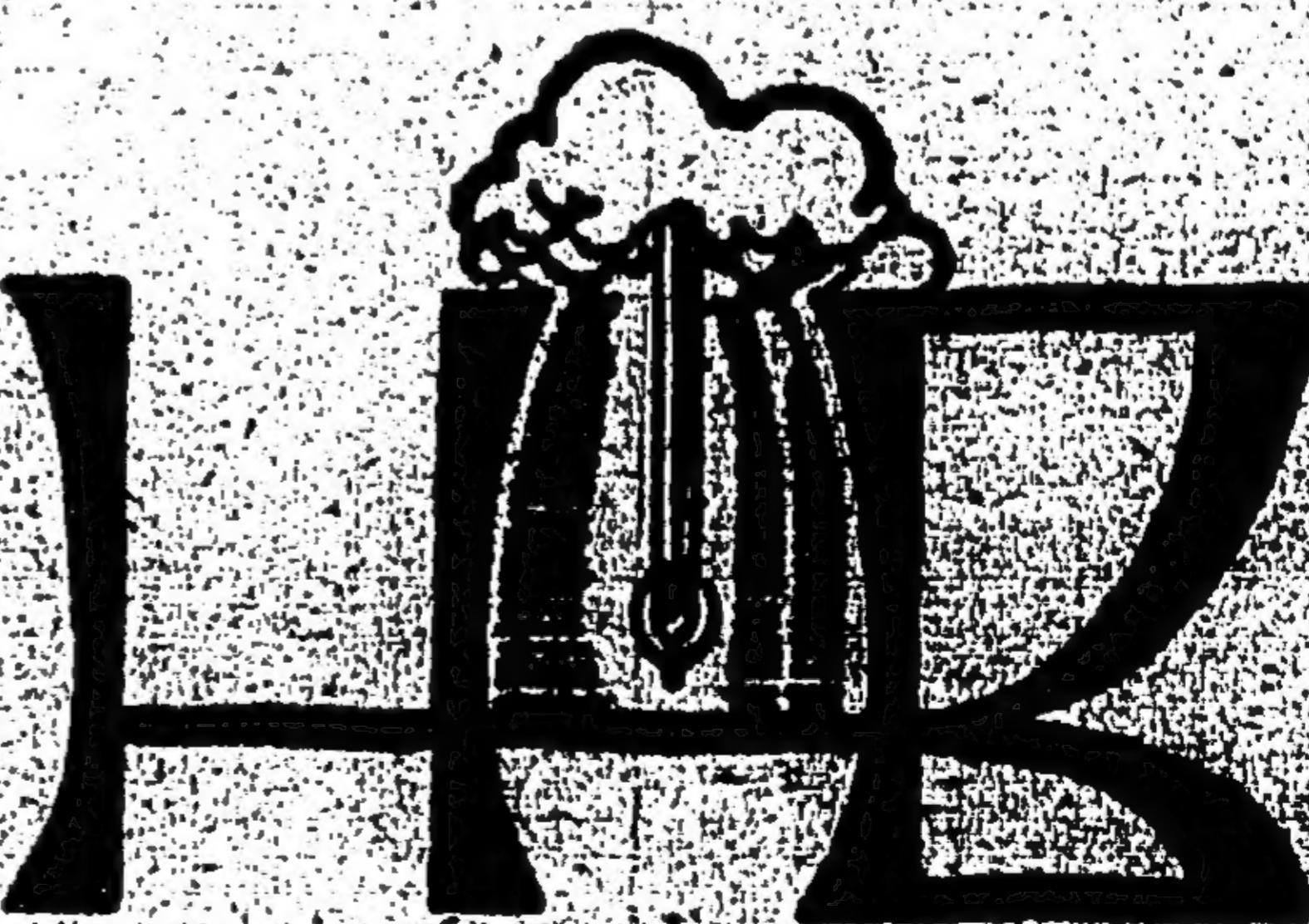
Washington, To-day.

The report disseminated by Japanese newspapers to the effect that Japan intends to begin negotiations for conclusion of a new trade treaty with America are so far without confirmation.

At a press conference yesterday, the State Secretary, Mr. Sumner Welles, declared that neither the Japanese Ambassador in Washington nor the United States' Charge d'Affaires in Tokyo had notified the State Department in Washington to this effect.

The Japanese Ambassador in Washington declined to make a statement regarding the matter. — Trans-Ocean.

HAVE AN H.B.—



—AND THEN TRY

Franco Spain Would Join The Axis In War

Military Aid Now Almost Certain

Rome, August 2.

Spanish military co-operation with Italy and the Reich was a certainty following Sunday's meeting of Spanish, Italian and German Staff officers on board the cruiser Pola, foreign diplomatic quarters said. The presence of a Spanish mission in the capacity of a delegation of observers at the Italian land manoeuvres starting at midnight last night was held to be confirmation of this fact.

Both these factors were stated, at the least, to prove that the foundations of a military accord between Nationalist Spain and the Axis Powers had been laid when Signor Serrano Suner, Spanish Home Minister, visited Rome and when Count Galeazzo Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, paid a return visit to Spain.

MANOEUVRES ON FRENCH BORDER

One hundred and fifty thousand Italian soldiers of the infantry, mechanised army and the Black

Shirts, are engaged in large-scale manoeuvres of exceptional scope. The theme of the exercises, which are to last eight days, is defence of the Valley against an invasion from France.

The manoeuvres were launched at midnight last night under the direction of General Ettore Bastico, one of the youngest of Italian generals and veteran of the Spanish war. "Control observers" are General Alberto Pariani and Giuseppe Valle, Under-Secretaries of War and Air respectively, assisted by Marshal Pietro Badoglio, of Ethiopian fame, Air Marshal Italo Balbo, Governor-General of Libya, other Italian military leaders and Generals Halder and Werth, German and Hungarian Chiefs of Staff respectively.

Military missions from the Reich, Hungary and Nationalist Spain are also observing the unprecedented exercises in North Italy.

"STUPENDOUS"

For the past three days, the northern regions of Italy have been encumbered with military pha-

U.S. BUYING SILVER FROM CHINA

Washington, To-day.

It is understood that the Treasury had contracted to purchase six million ounces of silver from the Chinese Government at the Treasury's buying rate for foreign silver prevailing at the time of receipt.

It is understood from New York that the silver is already on its way and that the arrangement was reached about a month ago. —Reuter.

KNOCKED INTO HARBOUR BY MOORING ROPE

A Chinese was knocked into the harbour by a mooring-rope as the N.D.L. s.s. Scharnhorst left the Kowloon Wharf at 11 o'clock last night. Had the rope not struck him a glancing blow instead of with full force, he might have been knocked unconscious and drowned, as few saw the incident.

The mooring line at the Scharnhorst's bow, a foreign eye-witness told the "China Mail," got mixed up with a steel cable suspended between two posts in the middle of the wharf. The line was dragged over the cable suddenly and struck a Chinese standing near the wharf-edge, knocking him into the water.

Though semi-dazed, he managed to cling to one of the poles and was eventually dragged out. He was apparently unhurt, and managed to walk off "under his own steam."

JAPANESE LAND AT HAIMEN

Shanghai, To-day. Haimen, along the east coast of Chekiang, was severely bombed at dawn yesterday by the Japanese.

Japanese aircraft also heavily bombed the city starting several fires which were reported last night to be blazing furiously.

Following the bombardment, several hundred Japanese troops and marines landed and are now in occupation of the city. No attempt, according to late reports last night, was made by the Japanese to extinguish the fires.

Chinghai was also heavily bombed yesterday morning. Many buildings were razed by fires caused by incendiary bombs. —Our Own Correspondent.

REFUGEE PARLEY

Cairo, To-day. Egypt has accepted the U. S. Government's invitation to attend the Inter-Government Refugee Conference in September.

The Egyptian Minister at Washington will represent his country. —Reuter.

Luitaret and Granero Passes after destroying Italian defences at Mounts Genevre and Cenis.

MEET THE ENEMY

The main body of Po Army, according to the theme of exercises, would then have to meet the enemy, prevent further advancement and even drive him out of the Alps.

The decisive battle would then be fought along a seven-kilometre front on the Alpine Plateau, while others would make a wide advance from the Po plain to the Alps to reinforce the main line of the Po. The Po Army would then be forced to retreat to the Po plain.

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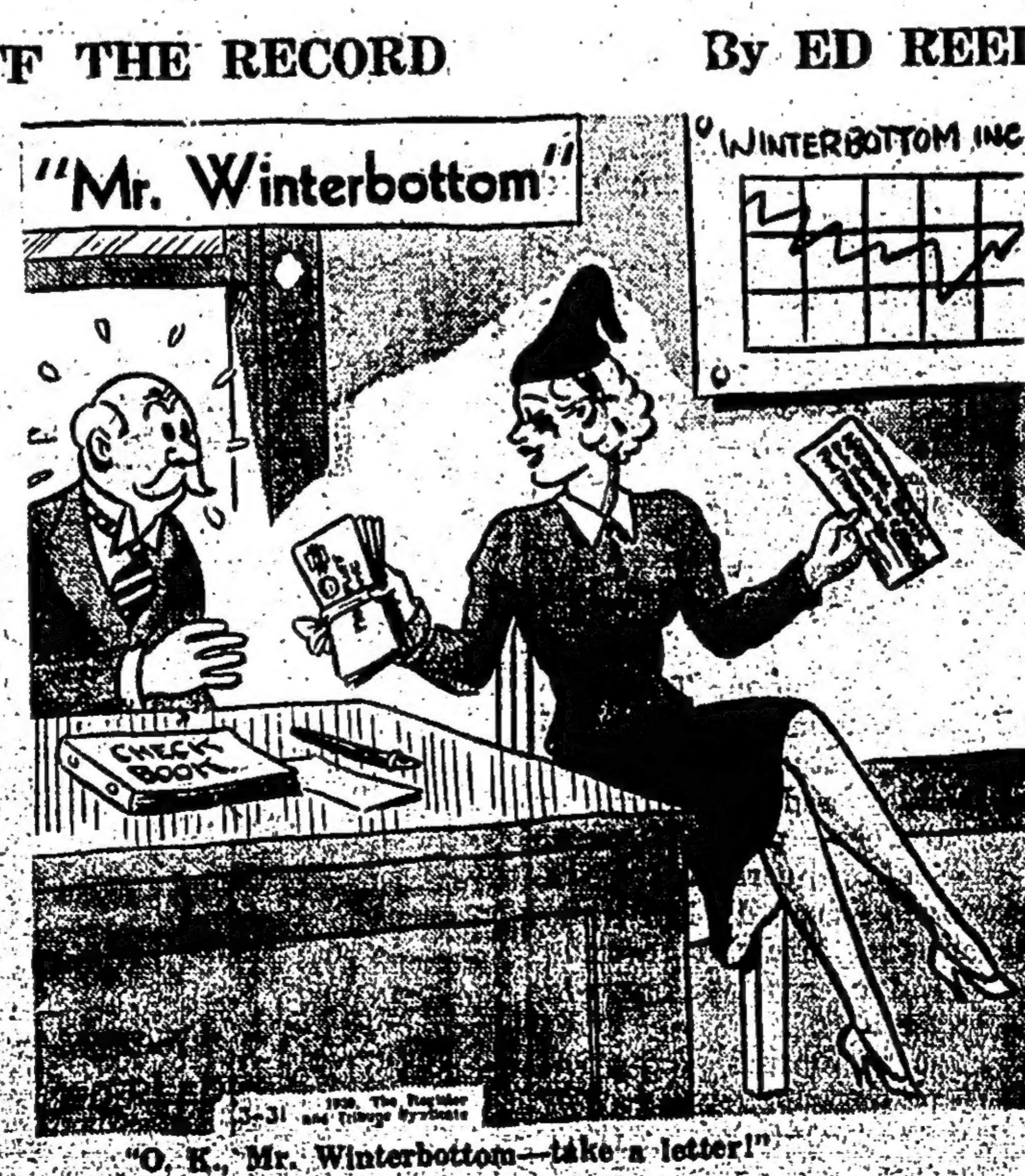
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Big-Scale Motorised Manoeuvres In Dresden Area

PETROL RUNNING SHORT IN THE PROVINCES

Berlin, To-day.

The first phase of Germany's motorized manoeuvres — which are described as probably the largest ever held in the country — began yesterday with exercises in crossing rivers near Rissa, about 20 miles north-east of Dresden, where engineers and Pioneer Troops co-operated in throwing pontoon bridges across the River Elbe.

Big-scale manoeuvres are likely to develop to the north and east of this area in the coming weeks.

A number of schools in Berlin are prepared to lodge soldiers en route to the manoeuvres, in regard to which remarkable secrecy is preserved.

Although British officers are officially present no details whatever have been announced to the public.

Commandeered vehicles are at present mainly confined to lorries and motor cycles, but it is expected that private cars may be taken in larger numbers soon.

The petrol situation is not improving, but it is still possible to get adequate supplies in Berlin. Reports from the provinces suggest that the shortage is growing serious.

RESERVE SUPPLIES

Filling-stations have been instructed to lay in reserve supplies varying from 550 to 3,300 gallons for military purposes, and fulfilling these instructions in many cases is responsible for the difficulties of private persons in getting as much as they want. — Reuter.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS TO BUY OVERSEAS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

IMPERIAL AIRWAYS ANNOUNCED LAST NIGHT A SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION OF PASSENGER ACCOMMODATION ON THEIR 22,000 MILE LONG EMPIRE ROUTES AND THE POSSIBILITY OF PURCHASING AIRCRAFT ABROAD.

The statement makes it clear that the decision has been most reluctantly taken on account, in the first place, of the difficulties in obtaining new aircraft to make up the fleet shortage and in recruiting pilots owing to the rearmament programme and the priority given to R.A.F. orders.

Other factors are the marked increase in the weight of mail now carried on Empire routes and the desirability of carrying greater reserves of fuel.

The statement says the Company will do all they can to reduce the present position.

In the past, it has been their no-

TO-DAY'S NAVAL DISPLAY AT WEYMOUTH

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE ROYAL YACHT VICTORIA AND ALBERT HAS LEFT PORTSMOUTH FOR WEYMOUTH, WHERE THE KING WILL JOIN HER TO INSPECT THE RESERVE FLEET AT PORTLAND.

The Admiralty Yacht Enchantress also left Portsmouth last night with members of the Board of Admiralty, including Sir Dudley Pound, Lord Stanhope and Admiral Sir Charles Little.

The Enchantress will be accompanied to Portland by the French destroyer Volta, which arrived at Portsmouth yesterday with Admiral Darlan, who is representing the French Navy, on board. — Reuter.

The King broke his holiday at Balmoral last night to entrain for south in order to inspect the 183 ships of the Reserve Fleet in Weymouth Bay to-day.

BACK IN EIGHT HOURS

The Royal Train is due at 9.55 a.m. at Weymouth and on arrival, His Majesty will drive to Binckleaves pier and embark on the Royal Yacht.

At the conclusion of the inspection, the King will return to Weymouth and the Royal Train will leave again for the north about eight hours after its arrival.

When it reaches Ballater again on Thursday morning, it will have travelled nearly 1,500 miles — British Wireless.

They to look exclusively to British industry for their equipment. They have now ordered forty-eight American Cyclone engines of 1,700 horse power each. They will be fitted to the Company's fleet of Empire aircraft.

The Company are also considering the purchase of aircraft from abroad in order to meet their immediate and urgent needs. — British Wireless.

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BOMB THROWN IN JERUSALEM

Jerusalem, To-day.
A bomb was thrown at the police outside the Palestine Broadcasting Studios. It exploded, without causing any casualties. The extent of the damage is not yet known. — Reuter.

SHANGHAI GETS READY FOR SQUALLS

Shanghai, To-day.

The International Settlement and French Concession authorities started mobilising all police and volunteers last night and special precautionary measures were instituted against any possible incidents in connection with second anniversary of the outbreak of hostilities in Shanghai which falls on Monday next.

Yesterday, officers visited all newspaper concerns in the city requesting them to refrain from publishing any articles and commentaries regarding the anniversary. — Our Own Correspondent.

HOLLAND CABINET DIFFICULTIES

THE HAGUE, TO-DAY.

M. DE GEER, EX-PREMIER, IS MEETING WITH SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES IN HIS EFFORTS TO FORM A CABINET AND MAY ABANDON THE TASK.

Colijn's party has refused to co-operate, hence Vandyk, the Minister for Defence, will not accept post again.

M. de Geer contemplates a Government composed of Catholics, Socialists, Radicals and Christian Historicals, but in that case M. Patijn, the Foreign Minister, is not likely to participate. — Reuter.

MR. STRANG HOME

London, To-day.

Mr. William Strang, the special British envoy to the Moscow talks, has arrived in Croydon from the Russian capital. — Reuter.

London, To-day.

Mr. Strang, head of the Central European Department at the Foreign Office, will resume his duties to-day.

The British and French military missions are due in Moscow later this week to begin staff conversations with the Soviet delegation headed by Marshal Voroshilov. — British Wireless.

IMPROVING CONDITIONS IN PALESTINE

London, To-day.
Several items of news received from Palestine witness the gradual but marked improved in conditions.

The High Commissioner is taking leave and will be absent from Palestine for two months, during which time the Chief Secretary will administer the Government.

Sir Harold MacMichael will travel by air from Kalundia aerodrome to Port Said next Sunday and thence he will take a steamer to Marseilles.

Last week-end, the High Commissioner toured the Beersheba sub-district and inspected Beersheba hospital and health offices. His Excellency discussed local questions with municipal councillors.

Another sign of the restoration of order is the announcement that authority has been given for the resumption of service on thirteen more Arab bus routes, mainly in the south of Palestine.

SPORADIC TERRORISM

Sporadic terrorist acts continue, however, and three are reported from the Haifa District, two on Sunday and one yesterday when a land mine exploded under a truck seriously injuring the driver.

It is stated that the Economic Advisor to the Palestine Government has recently been engaged in informal discussions with citrus producers on the question of the early establishment of a Citrus Control Board with statutory powers and functions.

Satisfactory progress is being made and it is hoped, before the end of the present export season, that detailed proposals for more orderly handling and shipment of citrus crops through the Control Board will have been formulated. — British Wireless.

ANGLO-RUMANIAN LOAN TALKS RESUMED

London, To-day.

M. Titea, the Rumanian Minister in London, left here yesterday for Bucharest. His journey is connected with Anglo-Rumanian financial negotiations started some time ago in Bucharest by Sir Frederick Leith Ross, financial adviser to the British Government.

It is stated that the British Government is now prepared to grant Rumania further export credit in addition to the amount of £100,000,000 already granted.

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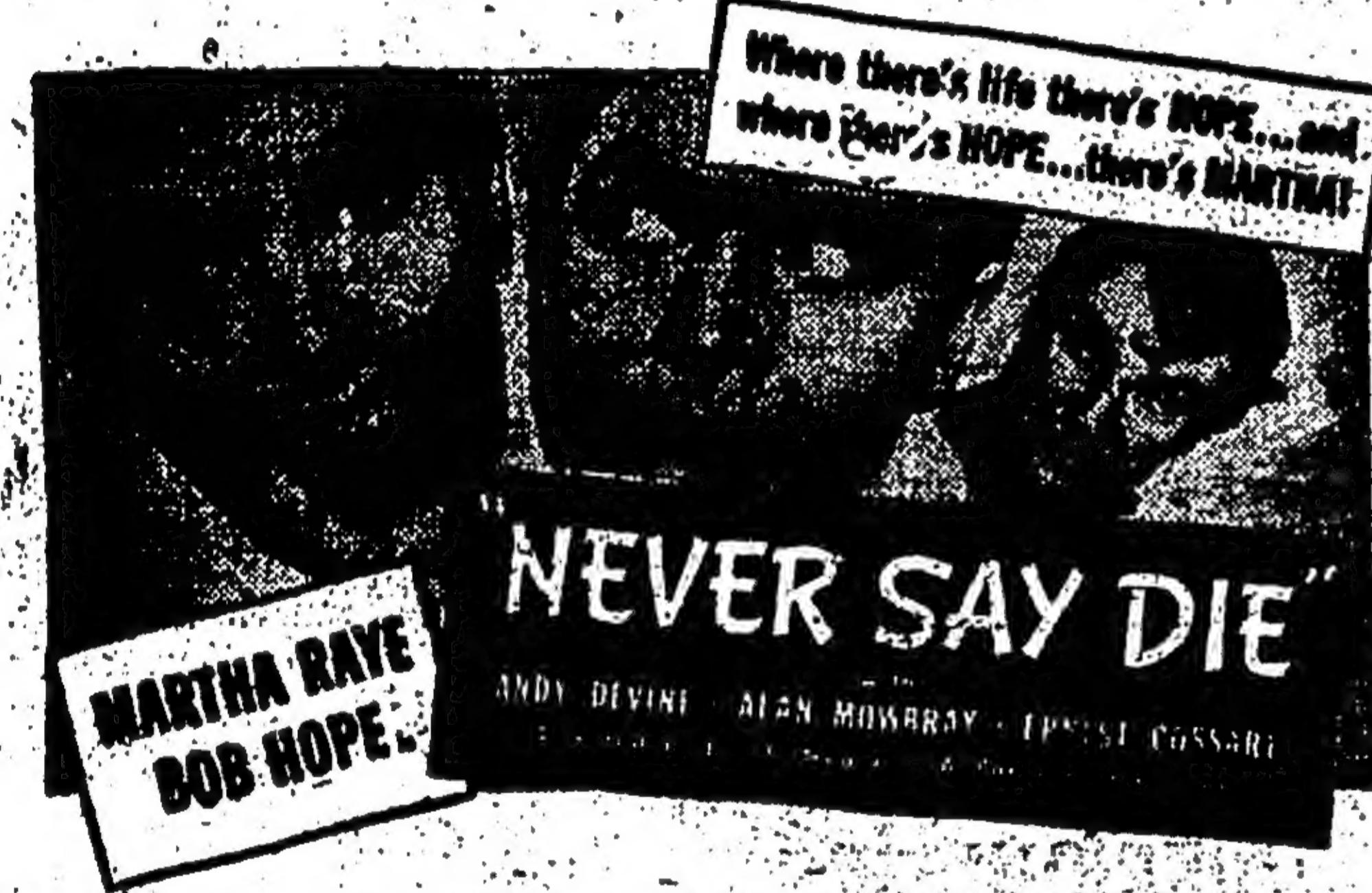
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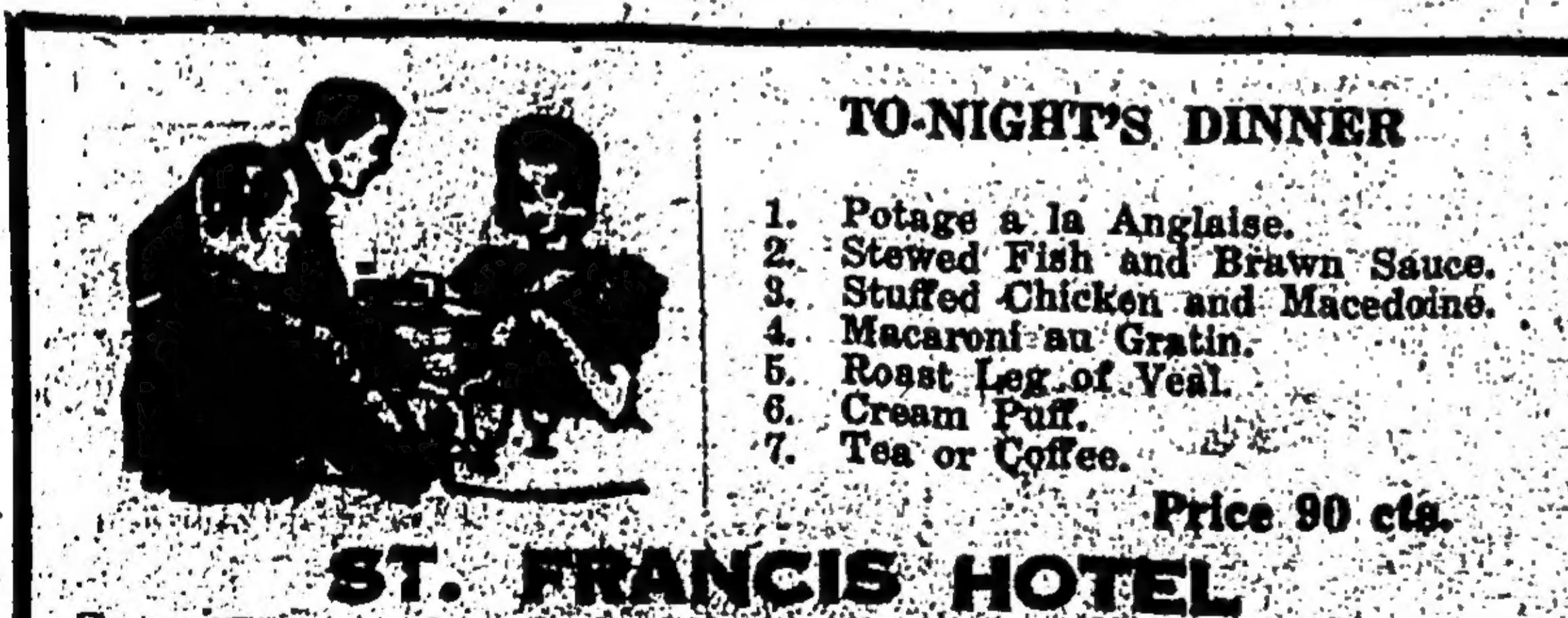


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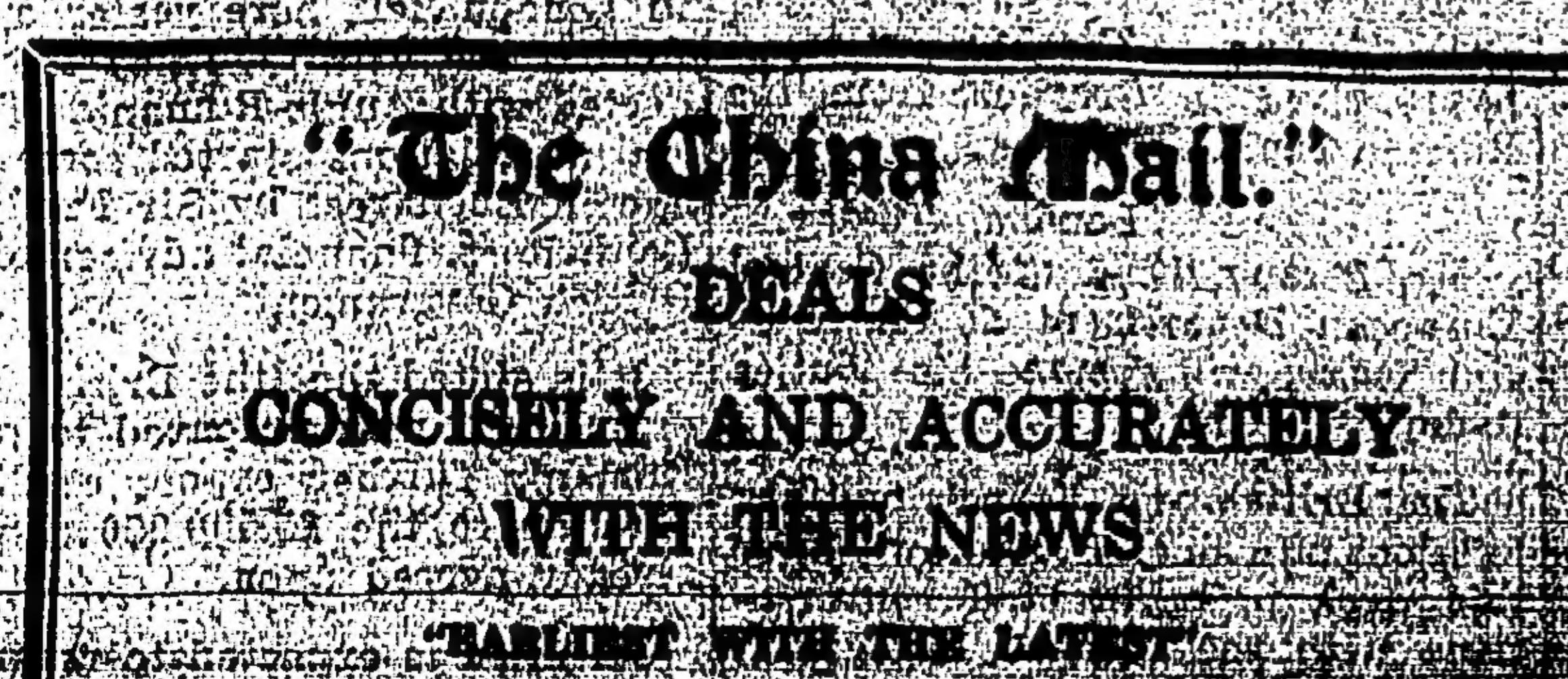
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SHANGHAI PREPARES FOR SQUALLS ON COMING ANNIVERSARY

Shanghai, To-day. With August 13, the anniversary of the Shanghai hostilities, coming closer, the Shanghai police, as well as the other defence forces, are doubling their activities in order to check expected terrorist acts around this date. The Shanghai Municipal Police have been put on precautionary mobilization starting at midnight last night, while the Shanghai Volunteer Corps is to be semi-mobilized from to-day.

Meanwhile, the police are already extremely active, a large number of heavily armed search parties continuously patrolling the streets and searching most persons for arms.

The city block where most of Shanghai's leading newspapers and new agencies is situated resembles an armed camp. This block was recently the scene of a large scale shooting when terrorists attacked pro-National Government Chinese newspapers, resulting in a shooting with the police in which five were killed and a score wounded.

ARMOURED CARS

The block is now controlled by three armoured cars with machine-guns and a large number of armed police who, with pistols in their hands, stop cars and search the occupants, as well as pedestrians.

Two concrete pillboxes have been built, while a third, movable, steel pill-box has also been brought up.

Although Avenue Edward VII forms the boundary between the International Settlement and the French Concession, control of it is in the hands of the French Police, by a special arrangement.

STEEL HELMETS

Another sign of the approaching anniversary is the fact that sentries outside the British Consulate-General, as well as on the Garden Bridge (separating the International Settlement from the Japanese-controlled section of it) are now wearing steel helmets again.

For some time past, they have been wearing ordinary sun helmets and caps.—Trans-Ocean.

YOUNG WOMEN IN FRAUD CASE

Two young married women were accused in the Central Police Court this morning of having conspired and obtained, by false pretences, a sum of \$196.

Accused were 24-year-old Cheng Yiu-fan and 25-year-old Ho Shuet-ying, and they were alleged to have obtained the money by pretending that they could secure, for complainant, the first floor of No. 225, Queen's Road Central, at a rental of \$86 per month.

At the request of Inspector O'Donovan, accused were remanded for 72 hours, half of \$500 being allowed by the Magistrate, Mr. R. Edwards.

RADIO FINES

Summoned for possession of a wireless set without a license, Wang, 14, tons of No. 18, Pine Street, was this morning fined \$100 by Mr. C. A. T. Edwards, for a wireless of the 100瓦 (100 watts) class, and a fine of \$100 was imposed on his companion, No. 14, Wohnung.

JAPAN NEARING THE FIRST MILLION

Tokyo, To-day.

Seventy-four Soviet planes were shot down by the Japanese between August 5th and 7th on frontier of Outer-Mongolia and Manchukuo, according to Domei, which states that the Soviet machines made repeated attempts to fly over the Manchukuo frontier but were invariably prevented by Japanese planes from doing so.

In fighting over the Chalcha-river on August 5, thirteen Soviet machines were brought down, while fourteen others are "said" to have suffered a similar fate in the same afternoon. The Japanese are stated to have lost only two machines on that day.

On August 7, a strong Soviet air force again attacked and Japanese chasing planes are reported to have shot down no fewer than forty-seven enemy machines. The Japanese losses on this occasion are not given!—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE ADMIT SHELLING OF TRANSPORTS

Shanghai, To-day. Asked regarding Chinese reports of the shelling of Japanese transport vessels on the Yangtze River, the Japanese naval spokesman admitted that, since the beginning of August, several transports have been fired at between Anking and Kukiang in the Anliu area by Chinese field artillery.

The spokesman claimed, however, that no damage was done. The area in question is well within the so-called Japanese occupied area.—Trans-Ocean.

NO REPLY

Shanghai, To-day. With reference to the Japanese notification to foreign Consuls that the port of Haimen would be closed for investigation, none of the foreign powers has replied.

A Japanese landing party has occupied the island of Putashan, near Haimen.—Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai, To-day. The Japanese Foreign Ministry has issued a statement to the effect that the Japanese government has decided to close the port of Haimen for investigation.

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ROOSEVELT CONDEMS LARGE WAGER OF CONGRESS ON NEUTRALITY

New York, To-day.

President Roosevelt was highly critical of the action of Congress in passing neutrality legislation at the first press conference (held yesterday) since Congress adjourned.

The President declared that the Congressmen who voted against revising the neutrality law, if they were wrong, tied his hands.

He had practically no power to make an American effort to prevent any outbreak of war.

That was, he said, "a pretty serious responsibility."

The solid Republican minority, he went on, and from twenty to twenty-five per cent. of the Democrats in Congress had, in effect, made a large wager with the nation on neutrality that there would be no war until sufficiently long after their return to Washington in January for them to take care of things.

They had also wagered that private industry and business would take up the slack caused by the dropping of one million works progress administration workers this year and by the closing down next year of the Public Works Act programme which would have provided two million workers with jobs.

He added that if the coalition lost its neutrality wager, it might affect a billion and a half human beings.—Reuter.

SHIPPING REGULATIONS

Messrs. Butterfield and Swire were cautioned by Mr. R. Edwards this morning when summoned for failing to supply a list of arrivals on the s.s. Hupeh on July 21.

Sub-Inspector H. E. Langley said the list was supplied only after a second request had been made by the Registration Office.

Messrs. Thoresen and Company were fined \$10 for not supplying the Registration Office with a list of passengers who departed on board the s.s. Hai Hing on June 28.

for possession of weapons in good working order, had been increased lately and that might have been the trial judge's reason for the heavy sentence.

Furthermore, the revolvers were said to have been left as security for \$70; how would defendant hope to realise the security?

As regards the story of the French sailor, it was possible that the Trial Judge thought "I don't believe the story of the French sailor and I must presume that you hoped to sell them."

Mr. d'Almada said he had been instructed that the name of the sailor had been entered in a book which was an exhibit in the case.

His lordship said that that might assist and also the newspaper wrapping which might bear the date of the trial.

As the exhibits were not been available, the date was disbarred.

On a motion made out decided to adjourn the trial until the important documents were available.

COMMON KNOWLEDGE

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SLACKENING OF TENSION IN DANZIG REPORTED

Bitter Press Recriminations Still Going On

Polish Comment Arouses Fury

Danzig, To-day.

While Danzig awaits the return of the Nazi Regional Leader, Herr Forster, from his visit to Herr Hitler, there are indications that the tension of the week-end has slackened.

It is expected that Herr Greiser, the President of the Senate, will meet Dr. Chodacki, the Polish Commissioner in Danzig, on Thursday to try and explore the possibility of starting discussions on the position of the Polish customs inspectors in the Free State.

The Nazi paper, "Danzig Vorposten" protests vigorously against a reported threat in a Polish paper that if Poland were presented with a fait accompli by the Danzig authorities she would "shoot despite her affection for the walls of Danzig." — Reuter.

"POLISH BRAGGING"

The "Danziger Vorposten" protests vehemently against "the unceasing threats uttered by the Polish press against the Free City."

Up to now we have been patient and have pretended not to hear the Polish threats. It is impossible to remain silent when an important Polish newspaper announces the forthcoming bombardment of Danzig.

Hitherto we have treated the insolent Polish bragging merely as a result of megalomania. We have, however, meanwhile been compelled to observe that unbridled jingoism and lust of conquest of all sections of Polish nation which manifests itself in unmeasured abuse of the German Reich and Danzig constitutes a direct menace to European peace. We consider it our duty in view of this Polish menace not only to utter a serious warning, but to draw the attention of the whole world to the fact that the Poles are daily and deliberately accumulating explosives around powder barrels which may blow up at any moment.

ONE ANSWER

To the insolent language of the Polish press, there can be only one clear answer. Never in the glorious history of this Hanseatic city has a single Polish soldier ever trodden the soil of Danzig and when the Polish King, Stephen Batory, appeared before the gates of Danzig at the head of his army he failed to force an entry into the city. This historic event should afford food for thought to the aggressive Polish nation to-day. Not with its own resources alone has Danzig organized its defence, but it knows that it can rely on the protection of the powerful Greater German Reich. — Trans-Ocean.

and of the German fighting forces. Polish excitation to war cannot be allowed to continue with impunity. — Trans-Ocean.

CAMPAIGN IN GERMANY

Berlin, To-day. The new anti-Polish campaign of the German press "called forth by the threat" of the Conservative Polish newspaper "Czas," is becoming more and more violent in language.

The paper "Bz Am Mittag," under a banner headline yesterday "Polonia, Take Care," describes Poland as an "amuck runner against Peace and Justice in Europe!"

The paper makes "England" responsible for the constant increase of Polish "war agitation," which had now reached a new climax, and goes on to say "to those who have lured Poland on that way may be said bluntly and briefly that one day Germany's patience, taxed to the utmost during the past weeks and months, will be at an end." — Trans-Ocean.

IN FULL CRY

Berlin, To-day. The German press is in full cry after the Polish newspaper "Czas," to which it attributes a suggestion that Polish guns might blow Danzig to bits.

The "Nachtausgabe" refers to "dangerous Polish war agitation by order of London and Paris," and declares that this noticeably increased with the despatch of the British and French military missions to Moscow.

It accuses Lord Halifax of having influenced Marshal Smigly-Rydz's speech on Sunday.

Dr. Halfeld, in the "Hamburger Freidenblatt," mysteriously suggests that the increased tension coincides with "the new British peace plan fostered by some British politicians in which Poland is not mentioned." — Reuter.

HALIFAX ARRIVING IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, who is on a holiday at his home in Yorkshire, is returning to London today and will remain in the capital until to-morrow evening. He will "deal with matters demanding his immediate attention" — Trans-Ocean.

Franco-German Talk

Paris, To-day.

GREAT reserve is being maintained over the meeting which took place yesterday between M. Bonnet and Count von Welczeck, the German Ambassador.

There is some reason to believe that during the talk, the question of Franco-German press relations was raised.

It is also believed in some quarters that the talk dealt with the German military activities and the Danzig situation.

Another caller on M. Bonnet was Mr. Bullitt, the American Ambassador, while it is understood that the Soviet Ambassador, M. Suritz, is to call on the Foreign Minister to-day. — Reuter.

ARGYLLS NOW IN SINGAPORE

SINGAPORE, To-day.

THE ARGYLL AND SUTHERLAND HIGHLANDERS, FORMERLY IN HONG KONG, HAVE ARRIVED HERE IN CONNECTION WITH THE SINGAPORE REINFORCEMENT PROGRAMME.

Three Indian battalions have also arrived.

It is believed that six further battalions may be coming here, to be divided between Singapore and Penang. It is surmised that the measures are the result of the recent Anglo-French defence conference in Singapore. — Our Own Correspondent.

POLITICAL JUNTA

Tangiers, To-day.

Senor Sumer is taking over the presidency of the political junta of the Falangist (Fascist) Party, with General Asensson as Vice-President.

Senor Cuesta, at the moment Secretary-General of the Falangist Party, will be replaced by General Murnez Grand. Cuesta becoming Ambassador to Rome.

Beigbeder will be replaced as High Commissioner for Spanish Morocco by General Varela, commanding the Spanish Forces in Morocco. — Reuter.

DEPRECATION OF VILIFICATION

London, To-day.

IN the final debates on foreign affairs in both Houses of Parliament before the Recess, the Prime Minister and Foreign Secretary made it clear that the British Government could not regard the immediate situation, either in Europe or the Far East, without anxiety.

Observers in London agree that the efforts which have been made since March to build up the anti-aggression front have had a considerable effect discouraging to adventure, and, therefore, serving the sole purpose for which, as British statesmen have all along insisted, they were undertaken, namely, the restoration of confidence.

In diplomatic circles here, it is generally felt that responsible leaders in all countries realize the importance of preventing the growth of tension.

Lord Halifax drew attention, however, to a source of danger to peace which still cannot be ignored when he told the House of Lords: "The task of statement to-day is made doubly difficult by those official propagandists and unofficial journalists and writers who deliberately invent, exaggerate or distort events and their implications."

VILIFICATION

The Prime Minister also returned in one of his last speeches in the Commons to a theme on which he has spoken with evident feeling more than once—the poisoning of the wells of international understanding by hate and fear manufactured by press distortion and vilification.

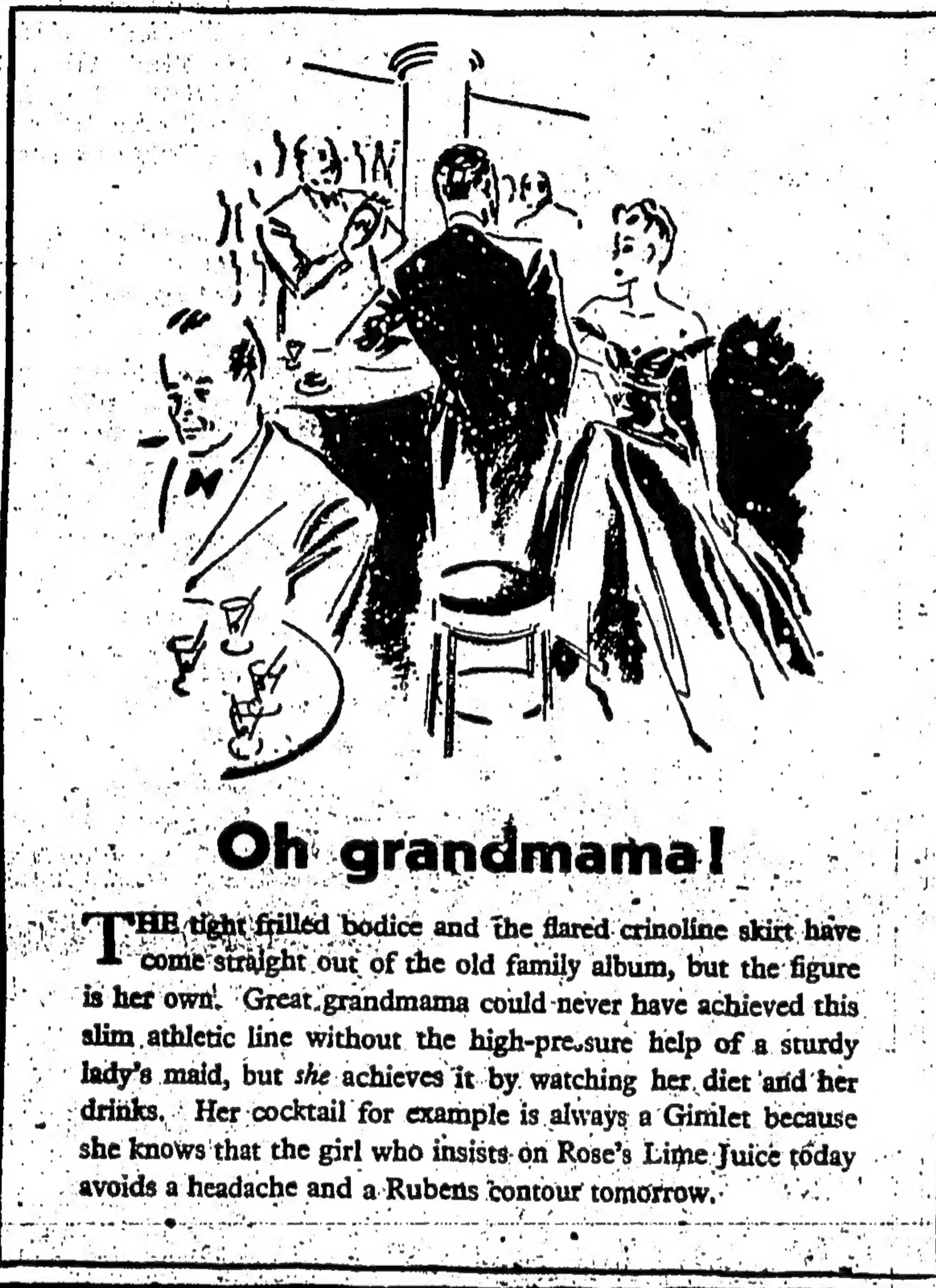
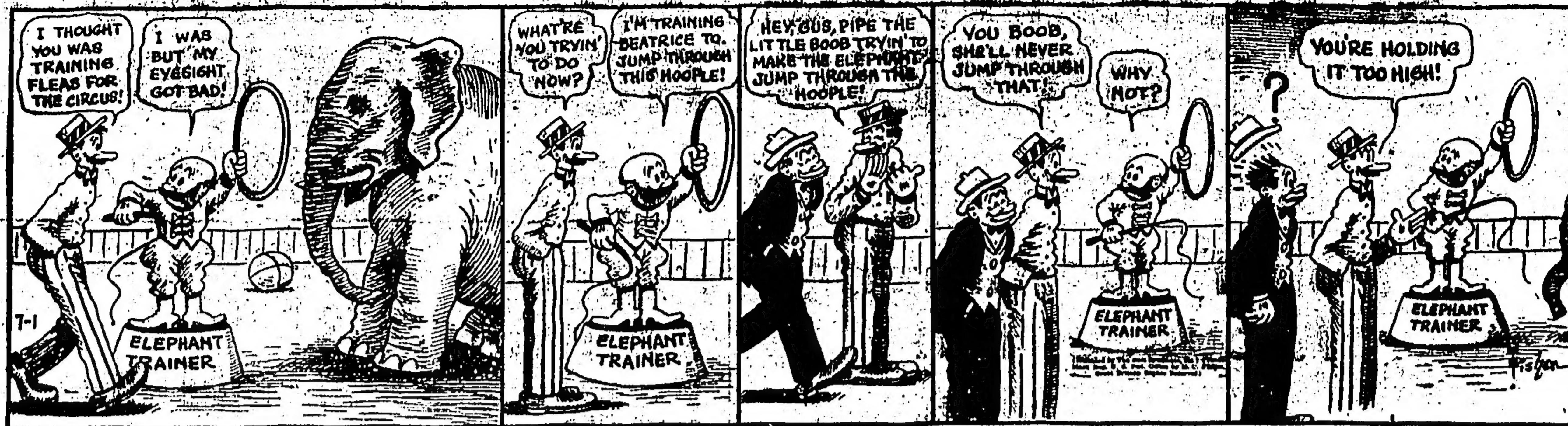
There are a number of questions outstanding in Europe which—as events over the weekend in Danzig again illustrated—can be dangerous to peace or can be rendered relatively harmless, accordingly as they are magnified into trials of strength or are kept in perspective and handled with tact and responsibility.

VICTORY FOR REASON

In London, it is felt that it would be very unfortunate if whenever an international difficulty is overcome by self-control and a spirit of compromise, which both sides must obviously have made some contribution, it must needs be represented as a concession by or a defeat for one or other side, so that what is essentially a victory for reason is depicted as a victory for arms or the "victims."

By BUD FISHER

MUTT AND JEFF



Oh grandmama!

THE tight-frilled bodice and the flared crinoline skirt have come straight out of the old family album, but the figure is her own. Great grandmama could never have achieved this slim, athletic line without the high-pressure help of a sturdy lady's maid, but she achieves it by watching her diet and her drinks. Her cocktail for example is always a Gimlet because she knows that the girl who insists on Rose's Lime Juice today avoids a headache and a Rubens contour tomorrow.

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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

CLASSIFIED AD.

ON June 12 a classified advertisement appeared in the "Megler Times" offering a job to a man well informed as a horticulturist and knowing something about tropical plants. Edgar Kempton read the ad and answered it by mail. Two days later he received a reply, asking him to come to an address in the neighbouring town of Asheville.

Edgar departed without telling his wife. He hadn't worked for two months and if he secured this job he wanted to surprise her. But he didn't return that evening, or the next. Isolde, Edgar's wife, became alarmed and notified police. The police, having little to work on and knowing only that Edgar, according to Isolde, had been acting depressed because of lack of work, at once thought of suicide and began searching the banks of the river. They found Edgar's body two days later, swollen and bloated, a mile south of the Pleasant street bridge.

It looked like suicide and would have been recorded as such, except for the thoroughness of Police Lieutenant Fabian Jeff. Fabian examined the body as a matter of course, and found a bruise on Edgar's head, as though he had been struck by a heavy blunt instrument.

Lieutenant Jeff decided to make an investigation. He went first to Edgar's home and talked with his wife, but

and rang the doorbell. As he did so he heard the telephone ring inside. He heard footsteps, heard the pause in indecision as both bells kept ringing, then they came toward the door.

Mrs. Kempton opened the door. "Oh, hello, Lieutenant Jeff. Just one moment, the phone is ringing."

Jeff stepped inside and closed the door. He could hear Mrs. Kempton plainly in the other room. "Oh, Basil! What?" A pause. A nervous laugh. "Listen, Basil, call me back. Lieutenant Jeff is waiting to see me."

Mrs. Kempton hung up and turned to find Lieutenant Jeff watching her from the doorway. The blood ran from her cheeks because of the way he looked.

"Excuse me, Mrs. Kempton. I have a call to make." Jeff picked up the phone and called headquarters. He told the desk sergeant to send a couple of men out to Basil Ferris' and pick him up, charging him with the murder of Edgar Kempton.

Mrs. Kempton gasped and clutched at her throat.

"You'll have to come with me," Lieutenant Jeff said quietly. "No. There's no use denying it. I've the whole story. Every detail. You're both guilty."

Mrs. Kempton collapsed, which was small indication of the strain under which she had been existing.

By James Freeman

Isolde was too grief-stricken to give him much satisfaction. With her permission, he went into the small room that Edgar used for a den and searched it. He found the newspaper clipping containing the ad and noticed that the date thereon was less than a week old.

So Lieutenant Jeff went to the "Times" and asked them who had inserted the ad. They checked through their files and told him that a man named Elliot Jesson, residing in Asheville, had inserted it. They remembered distinctly because Mr. Jesson had telephoned to inquire if there were any replies to his ad. And despite the fact that there had been he hadn't called for the letters.

So Lieutenant Jeff went to Asheville in search of Mr. Jesson, but he didn't find him. In fact, he found that there was no such address as the one mentioned in the ad. For a while Jeff was stymied.

Then, acting on a hunch, Jeff went back to Edgar's home. It was a warm day and Mrs. Kempton was sitting on the porch talking to a man about her own age. She introduced the man as a Mr. Basil Ferris. Mr. Ferris, she explained, had come to see her about Edgar's insurance.

Lieutenant Jeff, being a cautious and discerning individual, didn't like the way Mr. Ferris looked at him. He didn't know why but he didn't care. He excused himself and went to the office of the insurance company, that Mr. Ferris represented, and was told that Basil Ferris had been discharged from their employ six months before.

This gave Lieutenant Jeff cause to think. He thought long and hard. At length he arrived at a decision. He called Mr. Jesson and when the man answered he said, "Mr. Jesson, I have

The brief facts of the case are these: Lieutenant Jeff had wondered how Kempton could have received an answer to his reply to the "Times" ad when the alleged Elliot Jesson hadn't called for any of the answers that had come in. This stumped him. Then he remembered that the ad had demanded one informed about horticulture and tropical plants, and who else would know better than his wife how well suited Kempton was for such a position. His wife then must have told Jesson that Edgar had answered the ad, which made it unnecessary for Jesson to pick up his answers at the "Times" office.

The hesitation of Ferris on the phone was proof in itself that Ferris was Jesson, and Lieutenant Jeff wasn't surprised when it was later revealed that Ferris had sold Edgar a lot of insurance more than a year ago and had conspired to split the amount with Isolde for disposing of her husband.

(Released by The Associated News papers.)

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GERMAN PRESS SILENT ON DANZIG DISCUSSIONS

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GERMANY'S FOREIGN TRADE RETURNS

Berlin, To-day. German foreign trade in the second quarter of 1939 closed with an export surplus of 174.4 million Reichsmarks whereas the same quarter of the year 1938, showed an import surplus of 117.2 million marks.

German imports in the second quarter of 1939 aggregated 1285.5 million Reichsmarks, 195.1 million Reichsmarks of 18.2% less than in the corresponding period of 1938.

Exports stood at 1,459.9 million marks as against 1,363.4 million marks was 7.1% greater than in the same period of 1938.

The picture of German foreign trade with European States has not changed essentially since last year except that as regards South-Eastern Europe, the import surplus of 30 million marks has become an export surplus of about the same amount.

The following foreign trade movements between the Reich and other countries, measured during the second quarter of 1939 in million marks are noteworthy:

Great Britain: import 61.5—export 83.9.

Netherlands: import 45.8—export 111.1.

Egypt: import 13.3—export 11.7.

Nigeria: import 5.9—export 1.5.

Rhodesia: import 6.2—export 0.2.

South Africa: import 19.9—export 20.9.

China: import 14.8—export 20.4.

Iran: import 14.9—export 8.7.

Japan: import 8.3—export 31.7.

Manchukuo: import 26.8—export 12.4.

British India: import 25.2—export 35.1.

British Malaya: import 14—export 3.9.

East Indies: import 33.2—export 14.8.

United States: import 51.2—export 44.1.—Trans-Ocean.

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P.W.D. OFFICE THEFT

Another theft has occurred in the offices of the Public Works Department, the victim this time being Mr. C. M. Douglas, M.M., Land Surveyor.

Between 9 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. yesterday, someone took a wallet containing \$25 and a driver's licence from the pocket of Mr. Douglas' jacket which was hanging in his office.

TELEPHONE CABLE THEFT

Twenty-five yards of telephone cable were stolen from a wall, rear of Ichang Street, sometime during the dark hours of Monday and yesterday.

A report of the theft was made to the police last night by Mr. A. L. Fisher, representative of the Telephone Company.

WARNING AGAINST "UNDUE" OPTIMISM

Berlin, To-day.

Almost the entire news section of yesterday's evening papers is devoted to the situation created by latest developments in the Danzig question.

The commentaries strike a much sharper note than during past weeks. The repercussions "these happenings are likely to have on German policy" is contained in such statements as "any warlike threat against the population or property of Danzig will be seen as one directed primarily at Germany and this will mean, in all certainty, that recourse to force would be answered by the entire power of the Reich."

"It may be safely presumed (says Trans-Ocean) that this formulation of the matter given by the "Hamburger Fremdenblatt" reflects the viewpoint of official Germany.

Albert Forster, the National Socialist District leader in Danzig, along with his press chief, Wilhelm Zarske, is still at Obersalzberg, where he had an interview with the Fuehrer.

Neither the subject of the talks nor the mere fact of Forster's presence at Obersalzberg is mentioned in the German newspapers.

Berlin political circles are not inclined to believe that the present press campaign against Poland or the calling up of reservists for the autumn manoeuvres point to an imminent darkening of the political horizon and an approach of a crisis over Danzig.

Von Ribbentrop has resumed his holidays in the Salzburg mountains and the order calling up the reservists was issued some weeks ago.

Reports circulating abroad to the effect that the Fuehrer had summoned a conference of his army chief have elicited a denial from authoritative quarters in Berlin.

"Angriff" alleges that "not a day has passed of late without Poland engineering some highly insolent provocation of Germany. It stands to reason that replies to these dangerous acts must assume much a sterner character.

"We have given a warning to Poland. We shall probably repeat it. But then the much renowned German patience will be exhausted."

The German press says that "The Times" is wrong in maintaining that Polish demands for further territory are merely the work of Polish hooligans.

The "Hamburger Fremdenblatt," known to have good connections with the German Foreign Office, which is the source of information, says it claims that the situation has become sub-

ANOTHER CASE AGAINST BUS DRIVER

A driver of the Kowloon Motor Bus Company, Pun Iu-shing, who, it was said, had been employed only for three days, appeared before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy, summoned by Mrs. B. Madsen, of Hillwood Road, for driving bus No. 857 (No. 8 route) without due care and caution on two occasions within ten minutes on July 14 along Nathan Road.

The driver pleaded not guilty.

Mrs. Madsen stated that at 5.15 p.m. on July 14 she helped her younger daughter (aged 6) board the bus in front of the Po Hing Theatre and herself boarded. Meanwhile, when her elder daughter (aged 14), had only one foot on the platform, the bus suddenly moved forward without any signal by the conductor. As the bus started, her daughter was dragged along, the bus moving 20 yards until the bus was stopped in front of the Nathan Hotel. Upon her shouting to the conductor, her daughter was not injured.

The bus continued to the station near Hillwood Road, where a European lady alighted. Following, with her elder daughter, she also alighted, but at the moment her younger daughter was about to alight, the bus moved off again. The case is continuing.

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TWO ESCAPED PRISONERS STILL AT LARGE

THE TWO PRISONERS WHO ESCAPED WHILE BEING ESCORTED TO THE AU TAU POLICE STATION YESTERDAY, ARE STILL AT LARGE, ACCORDING TO LATEST POLICE REPORTS.

The men escaped at 3.45 a.m. yesterday and not at 3.45 p.m. on Monday afternoon as reported yesterday.

They were members of a group of six prisoners arrested by Revenue and Police officers, in connection with the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance in Sa Po Village.

The two were handcuffed together at the time of the escape.

The whole neighbourhood was scoured by the Police in an attempt to rearrest the men, but with the advantage of darkness they got away successfully.

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Hong Kong, Wednesday, Aug. 9, 1939.

"THERE WILL BE NO WAR"

It is in the tradition of the "Daily Express" to play Sunshine Sally to the rest of Fleet Street and too much attention should not, perhaps, be taken of the symposium taken of its own correspondents, ten of whom pronounced the verdict, "There will be no war." It was the "Daily Express," it may be recalled, which during the week before Munich discreetly dropped from its front page a box carrying the same phrase, which had appeared daily some time, and then restored it gallantly on Mr. Chamberlain's return.

There is, in fact, no-one today, except possibly Herr Hitler who can afford to be dogmatic one way or the other. Danger lies in the mere marshalling of millions of men in arms. The moderation shown by the Danzig Senate in its latest brush with Poland over the customs question is an important something to the placed on the other side. Again, it cannot be suggested this time that Herr Hitler has the slightest excuse for misunderstanding the mood of the British Government. Mr. Chamberlain's declaration on Danzig may not have the effect of inducing Hitler to abandon his policy of keeping Poland under constant pressure, but it may help to deter him from letting his Danzigers loose on a course which would bring war.

At the moment, the Nazi Regional Leader of Danzig, Gauleiter Forster, is at Berchtesgaden, receiving his instructions, men are drilling in the backyards of the Free City, the forces of National Socialism are swelled by thousands of new comers, and while the Free City itself is calm, a degree of tension in several capitals and the reports from Prague reflect the dangers which find a focal point in the Baltic port.

What kind of solution will be applied to the Danzig problem? The answer depends largely on the factors with which leaders in the Third Reich must reckon. National Socialism does not shy at the thought of force. But neither do the German people nor the German Government for that matter, want unnecessary war. Those who may be tempted to apply force or the threat of force to the Danzig question may rest assured that the German Government will not be moved. The German Government is not a party to the League of Nations, but it is bound by the League's principles of non-aggression and the maintenance of international law.

venture which diplomats call "bluff." The bluff would have to be called. It would be too late then to save peace.

Compliment to Camels

Surrey Assizes heard the other day, a lively debate on the nature and legal category of camels which ended with the Judge deciding that they are entitled to rank as domestic animals. The Court was considering the case of a visitor to a Surrey zoo who while picnicking beside the camels' enclosure fed one of them which leaned over with apples. The camel took three apples without mishap, but on grabbing the fourth seized also his benefactor's hand and badly mangled it. A lower Court had awarded the victim £300 damages against the proprietor of the zoo, and the question whether this should be upheld produced considerable differences of expert opinion as to the temperament of camels in general. It was, as might be expected, a point on which several witnesses who had served their country on Eastern fronts held decided views, for, whatever tribute the British Tommy may pay to the utility of the camel, he seems to regard it in personal relationship with even more suspicion than he does the mule. In the camel's defence, however, a witness who had been a specialist on camels to the Punjab Government pointed out that its claim to domestication is older than that of any other animal, and asserted that in general it is "without vice." The Judge agreed that it must be classed as domestic, and it therefore now takes its place with horses, dogs, cats, cattle, sheep, goats, pigs, and poultry as entitled to one bite, irrespective of the size that bite may be, before it falls foul of the law. The case will encourage a healthy caution in the approach to camels. It may also lead to some surmise as to where domestication begins and ends. The elephant, for instance, is a highly skilled and docile servant of man when properly trained. But would a normally well-behaved elephant that assaulted a visitor to a zoo be able to throw itself on the mercy of the Court as a first offender with a domestic tradition?

Picnics—Streamlined

The "open" season for meals is now well advanced, and the sport of picnicking is being enthusiastically pursued. At the same time, the public would seem to be coming to the conclusion that, as a recent editorial comment in "The Times" put it, picnicking reaches its rarest heights of enjoyment when it is a by-product, and not an end in itself.

For the old-fashioned picnic, which was the grand climax of the day, which spread its table in the wilderness with a sumptuousness that would have done credit to the dining-room "mahogany" of any gourmet, is largely no more. People are more inclined to hike and ramble and tour, and to eat only, literally and figuratively, by the way. The picnic may still be "the thing" to them, but it lies in the scanner and not in the hamper.

Whether the change is for better or worse is a futile question which will engage the attention only of those who go in for picnics and those who, however, have to go in for picnics.

HAND OF JAPAN AGAINST BRITONS

Rumours Of Intimidation Of Servants

Peiping, To-day.

The hand of Japan in the anti-British movement in North China is becoming clearly apparent. Very reliable sources declare that when the congregation of the Baptist Church at Taiyuanfu was arrested en masse, the trucks in which they were carried off were manned by Japanese as well as Chinese.

Plight Of Jews In Reich

London, To-day.

If the evacuation of Jews and "non-Aryan" Christians from Germany proceeds at the present rate, the last part will not escape until 1951, according to an official of the Christian Council for Refugees.

During the six years since Hitler came to power, only 350,000 succeeded in getting away.

Actually, the need for evacuation is becoming increasingly more urgent.

In Vienna, among other places, it is stated that Jews and "non-Aryan" Christians are finding increasing difficulty in obtaining food, shop-keepers refusing to supply them.

They are thus dependant on supplies specially imported by sympathisers. — Reuter.

ATTEMPT TO SEIZE BRITISH PROPERTY

London, To-day.

Brigadier-General Woodroffe, the chairman of the Pekin Syndicate, Limited, has confirmed that that Japanese-sponsored government in Honan Province has demanded the handing over of the Syndicate's anthracite mines.

He expressed the opinion that this was but the first attempt to seize British property in China.

Brig.-Gen. Woodroffe has made urgent representations to the Foreign Office to take up the matter with Tokyo, and the French and Belgian directors of the company had also been requested to approach their governments. — Reuter.

In Peiping, the detention by Japanese gendarmes of one of the Chinese employees of a British travel agency resulted in the entire Chinese staff deserting, apparently through fear of attempts being made to force them out.

It is widely rumoured that the Chinese servants of Britons in Peiping have been warned to leave by August 15.

A Reuter's Tokyo correspondent, meantime, says that following the recent attacks on British commercial premises in Tientsin, the British Consul-General made representations to the Japanese Consul-General and asked that the Japanese military be requested to detail soldiers to guard such premises.

HSUCHOW FARCE

Two Canadians and four Chinese have been arrested in Hsuchow in what is described as "another case of alleged British espionage" by the Domei News Agency.

The arrests are said to have been made by the Japanese Garrison authorities, and it is alleged that the Canadians organised an anti-Japanese "National Salvation Society" in the church compound under their control. They are also accused of giving information regarding the movement of Japanese forces to agents of the Chungking Government. — Reuter.

CHINA ORGANISES SABOTAGE CORPS

Chungking, To-day.

An "Economic Sabotage Corps" has been organised and dispatched to Japanese-occupied areas, to undermine economic reconstruction undertaken by the Japanese.

The Political Affairs Commission has intensified measures to win over puppet troops, to reorganise and improve the people's self-defence and guerilla corps, and spread the movement of non-co-operation with the bogus governments. — Central News.

KING ZOG

Paris, To-day.

King Zog of Albania, accompanied by his wife and suite, arrived with five motor-cars and a motor lorry for their luggage early yesterday morning at Chateau de Maye, near Versailles. — Trans-Ocean.

FRANCO TO BECOME PRIME MINISTER

Tangiers, To-day.

What is described as a "well-informed source" here states that General Franco is to become Prime Minister of the new Spanish Cabinet. The present Foreign Minister, Senor Jordana, is to be Vice-Premier and Senor Sunyer, Minister without Portfolio, will remain Minister of the Interior, while Colonel Belgobed will become Foreign Minister. — Reuter.

ALLEGED "SPY" PLOT

Sofia, To-day.

An espionage organisation has been discovered by the Bulgarian police, according to an official report yesterday.

Panta Sanow, 75-year old leader of the organisation, and several members were arrested.

Sanow, native of the Macedonia village of Kostutsko, was a member of "Dora," the Macedonian Revolutionary Organisation.

The espionage organisation, it is alleged, was working on behalf of Turkey. — Trans-Ocean.

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ALL RAIDERS DETECTED ON CROSSING COAST

London, To-day.

The biggest mock air war ever organised began at 8 o'clock last night and from then until 7 o'clock on Friday evening 1,300 of the fastest and most efficient bombers and fighters of the world will be engaged in day and night battles over half of England.

The climax will be from midnight to-night to 4 a.m. to-morrow, when a "blackout" affecting 28 counties in Southern England will be staged. There will be concentrated raids on a great number of targets all over the area and about 200,000 A.R.P. volunteers will be participating in ground exercises organised by the local authorities throughout the area, as well as some 70,000 Air Force, Territorial Army and Observer Corps men, while all transport authorities, factory owners and civilians — including thousands of holidaymakers — will co-operate in making the "blackout" complete.

Some 500 fighters are participating; their role will be to intercept 500 bombers which left aerodromes in England, crossed the Channel and flew over the French Coast before turning to make for their targets in England.

Many hundreds of anti-aircraft guns and searchlights have been manned at war stations and about 100 balloons flown at war stations in the London area. Every balloon barrage squadron is participating but each is flying only one or a few balloons at a time.

EVERY PLANE DETECTED

An Air Ministry communiqué issued at 10.10 o'clock last night stated that every attacking plane crossing the Coast had been detected and reported by listening posts of the Observer Corps.

The communiqué reads:—

"Hostilities began at 20.00 by the declaration of war between Eastland, quickly followed by a series of bombing raids by Eastland along the East Coast of Westland from the Wash to points north of the Thames Estuary.

"Eleven sudden raids were made over this area during the first forty minutes of the war.

"Despite the intense activity of the raiders, as well as the unsettled weather and bad visibility over the Eastern counties, the observer system is working perfectly, all aircraft crossing the Coast being detected by the listening posts of the Observer Corps.

COUNTER-RAIDS

"Air-raid warning organizations—raiders—British Wireless.

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R.A.F. MISHAP

Alexandria, To-day.
An R.A.F. seaplane yesterday collided with the seawall here and sank. The three occupants were injured, one slightly. — Reuter.

PLANS FOR EVACUATION OF SINGAPORE

London, To-day.
Singapore despatches indicate that plans have been drawn up for evacuation of Singapore and the environs by the civilian population in the event of war.

The inhabitants of Sarawak in Borneo have been invited by the authorities to store sufficient reserves of rice, sugar, salt, flour, milk and fat to last at least three months.

A report from Melbourne states that two Australian cruisers, Canberra and Sydney, left Melbourne on Tuesday for a cruise around the eastern, northern and western coasts of the Australian continent after which the cruisers will proceed to Singapore, calling at some ports in Netherlands East Indies en route. — Trans-Ocean.

MORE TROOPS FOR SINGAPORE

London, To-day.
Further troop despatches for Singapore were announced over the British radio yesterday evening.

Two troop-ships, it was declared, were expected to arrive shortly.

It will be recalled that yesterday morning one British and three Indian battalions, all from India, arrived in Singapore, bringing the total number of troops shipped there from Indian ports during the last few weeks to 4,000. — Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN-SOVIET TRADE TALKS

Berlin, To-day.
German-Soviet trade talks are reported here to have taken a favourable turn so that signing of a new commercial agreement between the two countries may be expected during the next few days.

Official quarters continue, however, to adopt an attitude of reticence.

No mention of it is made in press which also makes no reference to the fact that, during from Japan to the Soviet Union, the Japanese army wants to conclude a pact with the axis.

TWO BOMBERS REPORTED DOWN IN NORTH SEA

Canton, To-day.
The Walton-on-Sea and Alderbrugh lifeboats are reported to have left their stations to search for two R.A.F. bombers believed to be missing between the sunken light vessel and Shipwash Shoal off the coast of Essex.

R.A.F. speedboats are also reported to be participating in the search for the bombers, which were taking part in the air defence exercises.

The lifeboats were launched after reports from Observer Corps stations that the R.A.F. planes had crashed in the North Sea. — Reuter.

STOCK MARKET QUIET

London, To-day.
The stock exchange experienced one of its quietest sessions for some time, owing to the absence of interest.

Prices nevertheless were generally firm, particularly rubbers which tended to strengthen.

Sympathy improved the United Kingdom stock position; commodities and wheat were easy on reports of cooler Canadian weather.

Cotton is not greatly affected by the publication by the U. S. Bureau of Agriculture of crop estimates.

Wall Street is firmer. — Reuter.

JAPANESE AIR ACTIVITY IN SOUTH

Shanghai, To-day.
Japanese planes are exceedingly active in South China, especially in Kwangsi and Kwangtung provinces.

The action is apparently aimed at reinforcing the naval blockade along the coast through systematic bombing of the frontier towards Indo-China in order to prevent military supplies coming in by road.

The railway running from Indo-China into Yunnan Province belongs to the French and cannot be bombed. — Trans-Ocean.

COMMISSIONS FOR MILITIAMEN

London, To-day.
Militiamen called up under the Compulsory Military Training Act will be able to earn commissions in accordance with the training programme and regulations made public by the War Office last night.

— British Wireless.

IDZUMO SAILS

Shanghai, To-day.
The Japanese battleship "Idzumo" left for an unknown destination early yesterday morning. Japanese officials declined to give out any information. — Our Own Correspondent.

News Snack Bar

SHE WINS 'BEFORE MAGNA CARTA' CLAIM

A grant made before the date of Magna Carta (1215) enabled Miss Maud Elizabeth Sanders Sanders-Stephens, of Stedcombe Manor, Axmouth, Devon, to win a claim in the Chancery Division that she was the owner of a "sole and several fishery" in Axmouth Harbour.

Mr. Justice Bennett held that she had established her title to a "several fishery" in the tidal waters in the boundary of the manor, and granted her an injunction to restrain Mr. Harry Snell, a Seaton fisherman, from trespassing in the harbour.

WATCHING THEIR STEPS

Dances from abroad are in future to be censored before they are admitted into Germany. This is announced in a new regulation on "degenerate dancing" issued by the president of the Reich Music Chamber. Certain new dances "clashing with the ideas of German racial culture," the announcement states, have made it necessary to make the introduction of foreign dances dependent on a permit.

Even crooners are compelled to sing only "in German" — Oh! that our crooners would be compelled to sing in English!

LARGEST RELIGIOUS STATUE

A statue of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, largest religious statue in the world, has just been dedicated at Mas-Rillier, hamlet a few miles north of Lyons, France. The statue, erected on the ruins of a Roman fortress, is 107ft. high. It has a small chapel built into the base. The head measures 10ft. and the base of the statue is 26ft wide.

REFUELLING FOR ATLANTIC FLYING

Caribou, first of the Imperial Airways trans-Atlantic flying-boats, left Rochester recently to undergo official tests for mid-air refuelling. Last week makers' tests proved successful.

In consequence, the Air Ministry and Imperial Airways have officially adopted flight refuelling for the first year's experimental flying-boat service across the North Atlantic.

The flying-boats Caribou and Cabot are expected to inaugurate the trans-Atlantic services in August. They will be supported by the Golden Hind, which has still to make her experimental flight, and her sisterships, Grenville and Grenadier.

Difficulties encountered in the first experiments on flight refuelling have been overcome, as a thousand gallons of petrol can now be passed from the tanker to the flying-boat at a height of a thousand feet. This can be done during any flying weather.

New tanks have been designed. The fuel can now be distributed more evenly among the three tanks of the flying-boats. A new method has also been devised for establishing the first contact between the flying-tanker and the flying-boat.

A claim to a "sole and several fishery" in tidal waters, said the Judge, had to be founded upon a grant before the date of Magna Carta, which took away the prerogative right of the Crown to give such a right.

By the common law of England the public had a right to fish in tidal waters, and the claim to a "several fishery" was a claim to exclude the public from the right.

Miss Sanders-Stephens relied upon a charter roll made during the reign of Edward III.

£540 FOR OSTRICH EGG CUP

A rare cup of Elizabethan period made from an ostrich egg was auctioned for £540 in London. The lid consisted of the top of the shell mounted in silver-gilt. The whole of the shell was mounted on a baluster stem.

HIS CATS LIVE ON

Exhibition of the work of Louis Wain, famous painter of cats, who died recently, is planned by his sister, Miss Claire Wain. "All the years he was in Napsbury Mental Hospital, Louis painted. Many of his works he gave away to patients and the staff. That was his pleasure," she says.

NEAREST CEMETERY

GROUND — 30 MILES

Hammersmith Borough, which will shortly have to provide a new cemetery, can find no ground available nearer than between thirty and forty miles.

This was stated by Mayor W. H. Church, at the opening of a new crematorium at Kensal Green. He added that, in view of this, his Council, in conjunction with the Acton Richmond and Barnes Councils, had built a crematorium of their own at Mortlake.

The crematorium at Kensal Green is the fifty-third to be completed in Great Britain and the eleventh to be opened since January.

ILL-FATED LIFEBOAT TO GO

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has been asked by her crew to withdraw from service the non-self-righting Cullercoats, Northumberland, lifeboat. In April the boat capsized during a practice run, and six of the eleven men on board were drowned.



For the third year in succession members of the Sea Ranger branch of the Girl Guides Association are taking training in seamanship aboard the *Implacable*, off Portsmouth. The course is very practical, and the work of the ship is done by the girls under qualified instructors. They sleep in hammocks, and as far as possible follow the life of a sailor. Photo shows a Sea Ranger being taught rescue work with a breeches buoy.

EIRE HIGH COMMISSIONER

TO CANADA

Eire is to have a High Commissioner in Canada. Speaking in the Dail, Mr. de Valera said that he hoped the appointment would cement the "friendly relations" that had always existed with Canada.

PRESENTED FROM COURT

From London police courts.

Man at Tottenham: "My mother-in-law came to live with us shortly before the Crisis."

Man at Tower Bridge: "My wife says that if she doesn't live near her mother she'll have no one to argue with until I come home at night."

Witness at Ealing: "The man came up to me and said, 'Do you want a fight?' I said, 'No,' and punched him on the nose."

SEVEN ARABS SENTENCED

TO DIE

Seven Arabs were sentenced to death by a Military Court at Haifa for the murder of a combined military-police patrol. Five other Arabs were given life terms.

An entire railway patrol consisting of four British soldiers and three Jewish supernumerary police was wiped out by an Arab gang near Kalkilah. The seven men were in a trolley on the main railway line when the Arabs, in overwhelming numbers,

SUCCESS WITH A CATCH IN IT

Dennis Pursey, aged fourteen, of Chertsey, in four evenings has caught ninety-six roach, weighing altogether 39 1/2 lb. His father, who taught Dennis, and other grown-up anglers, have fished near him without catching one. The nightly catches were twenty-six, twenty-one, twenty-seven and twenty-two roach respectively. Dennis was using hemp, the same bait as his luckless father.

BULL FOUGHT TO DEATH

TO BE HERD KING

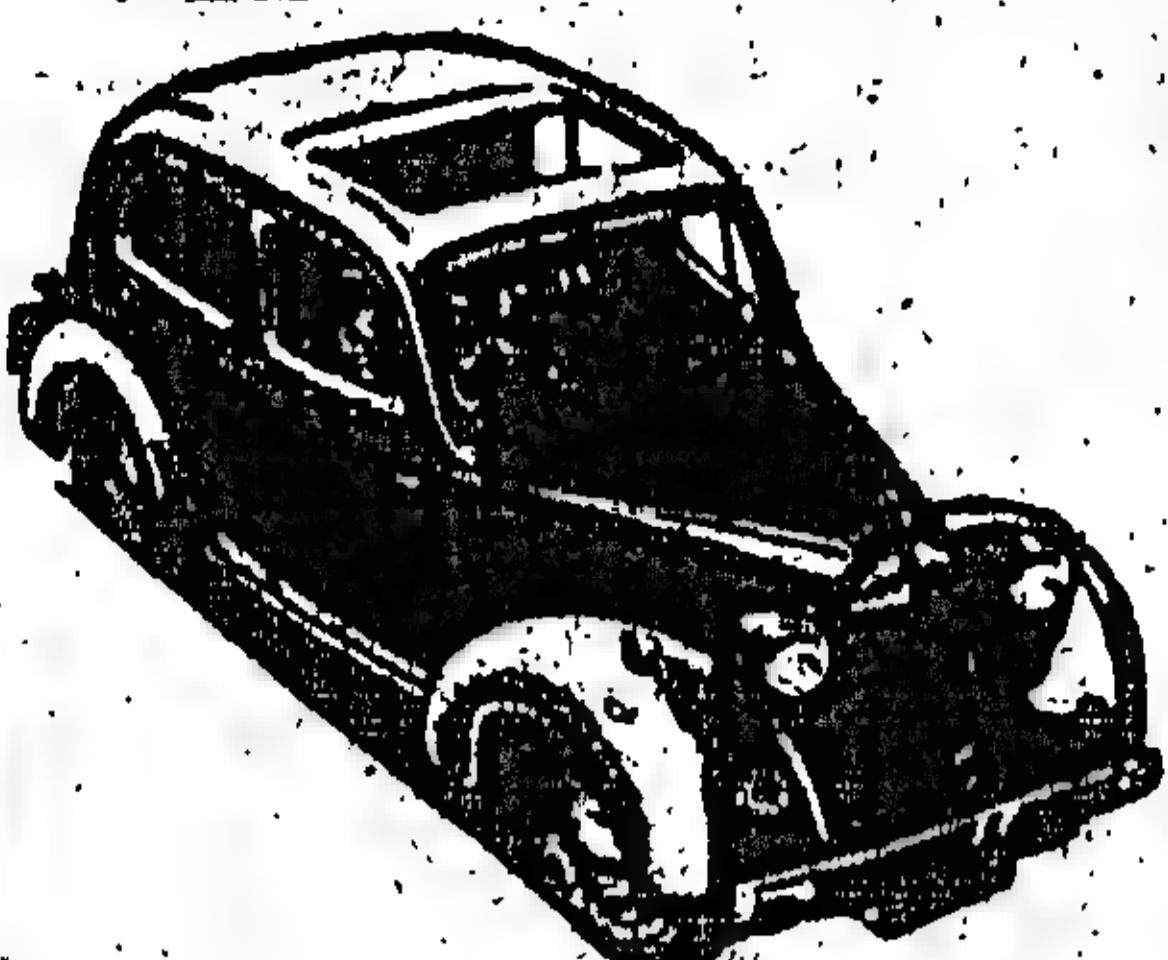
Although bulls in the Chillingham (Northumberland) herd of wild cattle frequently fight, it is extremely rare for any of them to be killed fighting.

Several weeks ago, however, the King Bull had lost in a fight and, as is the custom among wild cattle, had in consequence been banished from the herd. Recently the park keeper noticed this bull — a very fine specimen of about seven years — walking back towards the herd bellowing and challenging his successor, evidently with a view to regaining his title.

Two bulls advanced towards him, the present King Bull and another — and a three-cornered fight ensued. Later the body of the King Bull was found, the head broken off, in a trolley on the main railway line when the Arabs, in overwhelming numbers,

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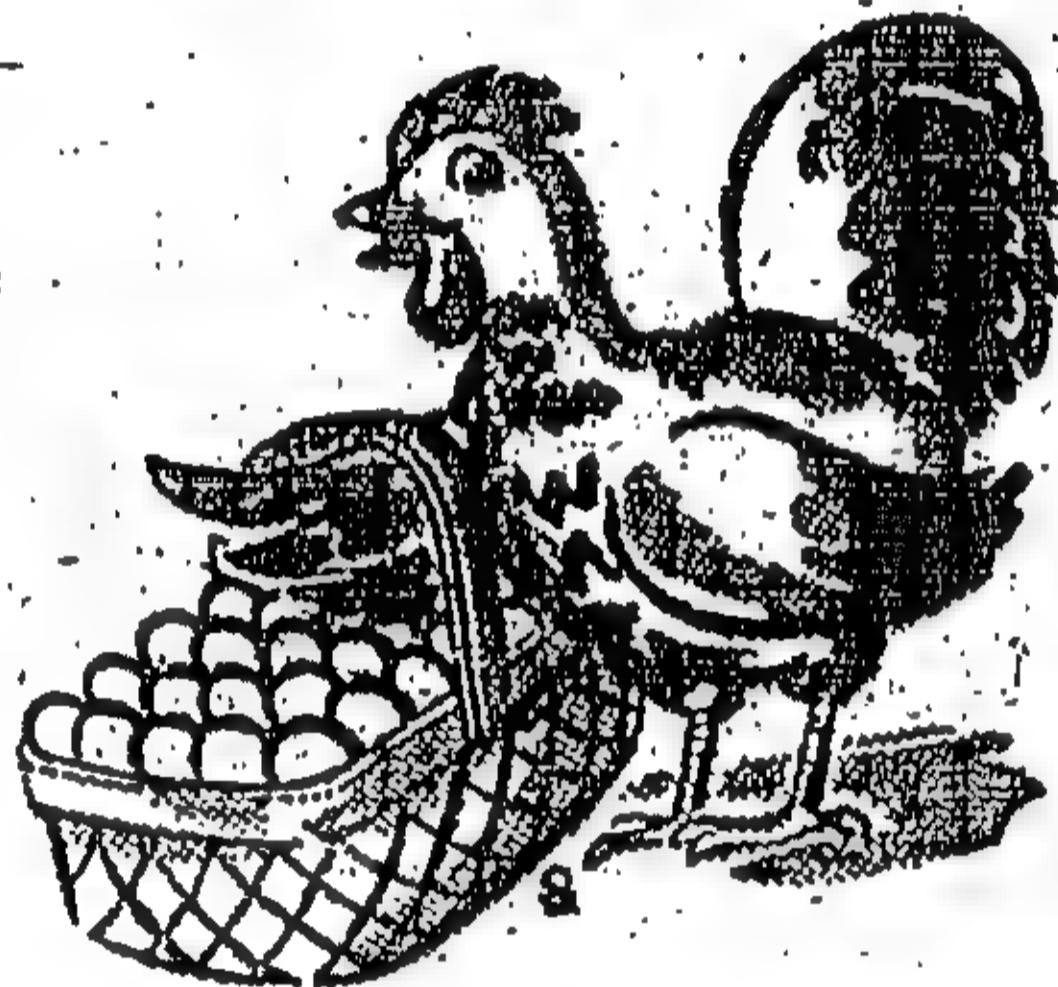
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YOU- I HEAR YOU ARE
A GRAND-DADDY-
JOLLY NICE WHAT? I'D
LIKE TO SEE THE
LITTLE BOUNDER-

HE IS A
GRAND
BOY- I
TELL YOU
I'M PROUD
OF HIM-

AH-I HOPE SOME DAY
TO BE A GRAND-DADDY-
BUT I'LL HAVE TO WAIT
MY SON HASN'T MET
THE GIRL YET THAT
HE'D LIKE TO MARRY-
BUT I'M LIVING
IN HOPE-

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YEARS

BARON EMILE D'ERLANGER DESCRIBES

HOW THE CHANNEL BUILT FOR

After many vicissitudes during the last century the Channel Tunnel project is once more to the fore. I have never wavered in my conviction that the tunnel should and would be built, but when the House of Commons rejected the scheme in 1930 I decided that it could not be revived in my lifetime, and I now ask myself, What will be the end of this new chapter in the history of a great scheme?

No doubt strategic considerations will claim first attention, now as in the past. In France military opinion has so far been unanimously in favour of the tunnel; Marshal Foch said that if it had existed in 1914 the war would not have taken place.

In England military opinion has, to say the least, been divided since the Great War.

Since the strategical and tactical utility of the tunnel in case of war would depend on the ability to use it, approval of its construction would undoubtedly have to be made conditional on adequate defences. Already the entrance to the tunnel has been made safe against any small cost, this would put the surprise attack by the prolongation of the Maginot Line to the French coast. The approaches on the English side would also have to be defended adequately.

AVOIDING AIR ATTACK

In the last war aerial warfare was in its infancy, but in any future struggle the skies above the Channel would be one of the most intensive fields of aerial warfare; ships crossing between France and England would be attractive targets. On the other hand, troops and material passing through the tunnel would be exposed to no such dangers after they had entered and until they had debouched, the danger to which they would be exposed being no greater than that to which they would be exposed while actually embarking or disembarking from ships.

Then again, a preponderating proportion of the revictualling of the United Kingdom has to be sea-borne. Ships carrying these vital supplies are at their start or arrival focused on a very small area, and in war time would be exposed to enormous risks, principally from aircraft but also from submarines. If the tunnel were in being all the ports of the Atlantic coast of France would be available to British and allied ships for landing foodstuffs and other materials from overseas which could be carried directly into England by rail.

The necessity of having to blockade by submarines or aircraft the

Atlantic coast of France, as well as England's coasts, would add immensely to the enemies' problems.

As to the engineering aspect, I have for over 50 years been associated with eminent engineers on both sides of the Channel who have studied this question, among the most prominent being Mr. G. Ellson, Chief Engineer of the Southern Railway. None of them entertained the slightest doubt as to the feasibility of driving the tunnel from shore to shore.

Even some 60 years ago over two miles of the tunnel had been driven under the Channel in the impervious chalk strata and could be visited until recent years, when the boring was allowed to fall into neglect to save the cost of upkeep.

Practically all these engineers believed in the desirability of driving a pilot tunnel first. At relatively small cost, this would put the feasibility of the project beyond the doubt of the most sceptical and of the Maginot Line to the French coast. The approaches on the English side would also have to be defended adequately.

The late Lord Cowdray once said to me: "If the Government approves of the scheme and I am given the contract, I will put up £1,000,000 and drive the traffic tunnel straight away." I am, however, inclined, for the reasons just given, to favour the more prudent course of building the pilot tunnel first.

If ever Nature has deliberately designed an ideal medium for tunnelling and for the provision of quick and easy transport facilities all in one tunnel, underground, it exists in the strata of a small

underlying the Channel. In those early days when construction was begun, some 7,000 soundings were taken to test the strata on the Channel bed over a width of nine and a half miles between Folkestone and St. Margaret's Bay, and between Wissant and Calais. Shafts were sunk on both sides of the Channel and a mile was driven on each side through the impervious chalk which exists between the two shores.

TOTAL LENGTH 33 MILES

Since those days the strata has been reconnoitred in a way which dispense with it.

Turning now to

TUNNEL COULD BE £50,000,000

for doubt as to matter of finance. In 1929-30 I obtained. From the firm conviction that both there are no in-

ies. of construction, d, to start with. in of 1882, as mo- engineers' report to mission, either us- that still exist on g down new ones ft. to 150ft. From we would bore, vious grey chalk, ft. to 12ft. in dia- cross the Channel, of 24 miles, at a at £5,000,000 above-mentioned

FINANCING THE SCHEME

Conditions have altered so much since 1930 that it would now be out of the question to raise the moneys from the public, and the financing must be the concern of both Governments. A private bill to promote the building of the tunnel would, even if not opposed by the British Government, meet with the opposition of the railways, shipping companies and other transport interests, and would therefore be very costly bearing upon our balance of payments.

Secondly, I always counted on the following: investors all over the Continent and the United States subscribing heavily to the shares of the respective English and French Tunnel Companies, but the incidence of double taxation, the restriction on the export of capital, the discredit of the original pilot into which all railway stocks have been used as fallen in the United Kingdom as well as elsewhere, the policy of all Governments, no matter how heavy the main risks originally incurred, to limit the profits of public utility concerns, let alone the high yields obtainable at present on industrial equities, have destroyed any reasonable hope of finding the capital for the tunnel scheme from private investors.

I believe that if the scheme is thoroughly investigated by the British and French Governments, they will agree that it would be a most important contributory factor in mutual security. The mere fact of an agreement between England and France to build it would have great moral effect. Several thousand million pounds are being spent on defence. Why should the two Governments hesitate to spend some £5,000,000 more to place before the longest tunnel in the world the feasibility of the tunnel project, and up to £50,000,000 in all, spread over the next five years, if it will make peace possible and only it was found

MORE TRADE AND TRAFFIC

the all-important Nor must it be thought that I

consider that the construction of the tunnel would entail an unprofitable capital expenditure in case of disarmament. A cessation of the armament race would be followed by a revival and expansion of international trade, such as has never been witnessed.

Concurrently with the construction of the tunnel the interchange of passenger traffic between England and the Continent would receive an enormous impetus. I would be astonished indeed if, under such conditions, the passenger traffic, which now exceeds some 2,000,000 travellers a year, were not immediately doubled or trebled. The proportion of Continental travellers visiting England would undoubtedly show by far the greatest increase. Therefore, apart from the traffic through the tunnel affording a reasonable return upon the capital expended, the moneys spent by the Continental visitors in England would have a most important favourable bearing upon our balance of payments.

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Foot Relaxing Tricks

A pedicure, according to a prominent pedicure salon of New York, should be more than just a tailoring of toes. It should be, and is if properly given, a pepper-upper of the entire system. Strained foot muscles are relaxed and sluggish circulation stimulated, so that your feet feel as if they have sprouted wings!

A weekly pedicure is insurance against a lot of unhappy moments. Keeping feet massaged, cuticle controlled and nails filed correctly, you will not only be less fatigued but your face will be free of strain and you will save your precious silk hose from snags! It's infinitely relaxing, infinitely restoring to the whole nervous system. Shoes cramp your feet in one position all day long; high heels throw them out of line. The pedicure habit weekly or twice weekly may prevent really serious foot troubles from occurring.

SOME INTELLIGENT SUGGESTIONS

If your toenail cuticle is stubborn, dip pads of cotton in warm cuticle oil and cover the nails, leaving the pads on for two or three minutes until the cuticle has softened. If you file your nails after using the oil, rather than before, the nails will have a smoother edge and will not snag your hose.

Massage does wonders for your disposition. Use a hand massage cream, if you do not have a refreshing foot lotion, and massage

the ball of each toe between thumb and fingers, working back and forth across the foot. Then place thumb above the instep and fingers under foot and work up the arch in a rotating movement.

To counteract the effects of high heels, which throw too much of the body weight on the longitudinal arch, the "picking up" exercise is a good one. Invest in a doll-size rolling pin at the five and ten-cent store and go to work on that. Curl your toes over it until you can lift it from the floor. Repeat often.

If your feet are numb and constricted from ill fitting shoes or from too many hours of walking, try a ten-minute contrast bath. Fill a basin with hot water and a handful of salt, or epsom salts. Soak them for a minute, then dip in cold water for half a minute, then back to hot. Ten minutes of this (or even seven minutes) and your feet will be tingling and refreshed. Finish with a cuticle oil rub to counteract the drying effect of hot water, or use a cream over the entire foot as suggested above.

The final toe-tip colour will raise your spirits no end, for next to having comfortable feet one delights in having pretty feet! Toe colour is almost a necessity during summer, what with open toe sandals, cobweb stockings and beach days! It should match the colour of your fingernails, or be a delicate shell which will blend nicely with any nail lacquer shade.



Feet feel their best if the pedicure is finished off with a professional massage of arch and instep and toes! Feet look their best if nails boast a pretty colour.

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Comics by the sketchy girl friend. Her figure was her best point, so she's stretching a point or two.

What The Stars Foretell.

By MARY BLAKE

Do not permit yourself to get into a discontented state of mind to-day, if you wish to keep from feeling miserable. Your thoughts are your own and you have the power to direct them into a current of associated ideas conducive to your having a feeling of well-being and freedom from worry. Roundabout methods of making any kind of explanation to-day, will be the wrong kind to employ for they are apt to be one of the principal causes of people becoming exasperated and giving evidence of being annoyed. The sum and substance of most arguments to-day may be the desire of both parties engaged in them to have their own way. Avoid taking an arbitrary stand regarding any unimportant issue, if you would save yourself from a needless amount of irritation. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who have found the one and only person that they wish ultimately marry, must let their sense of justice influence all of their decisions to-day.

If a woman and August 9 is your birthday, an unusually energetic

nature may give your friends the impression that you are inclined to be very restless and impatient. Quick of movement, you may excel in sports that require speed and sharp eye-sight. Your process of reasoning should be sound, and the logic of your conclusions ought to inspire people with confidence in your judgment. Probably you have many accomplishments, perhaps most of them being along artistic lines. As an artist, musician, professional dancer, interior decorator, designer, purchasing agent, writer, or broker, your income ought to exceed your living requirements and your reputation should be second to none. Affluence and happiness in all likelihood, are coming to you through your making a wise marriage.

The child born on August 9 seldom becomes discouraged. A willing worker and ambitious, this youngster should set a fine example for its playmates and school companions. Many favourable omens give promise of a future filled with happiness and prosperity for children born on this date.

The Voice Of Experience

These Canadian Mothers Praise Baby's Own Tablets.

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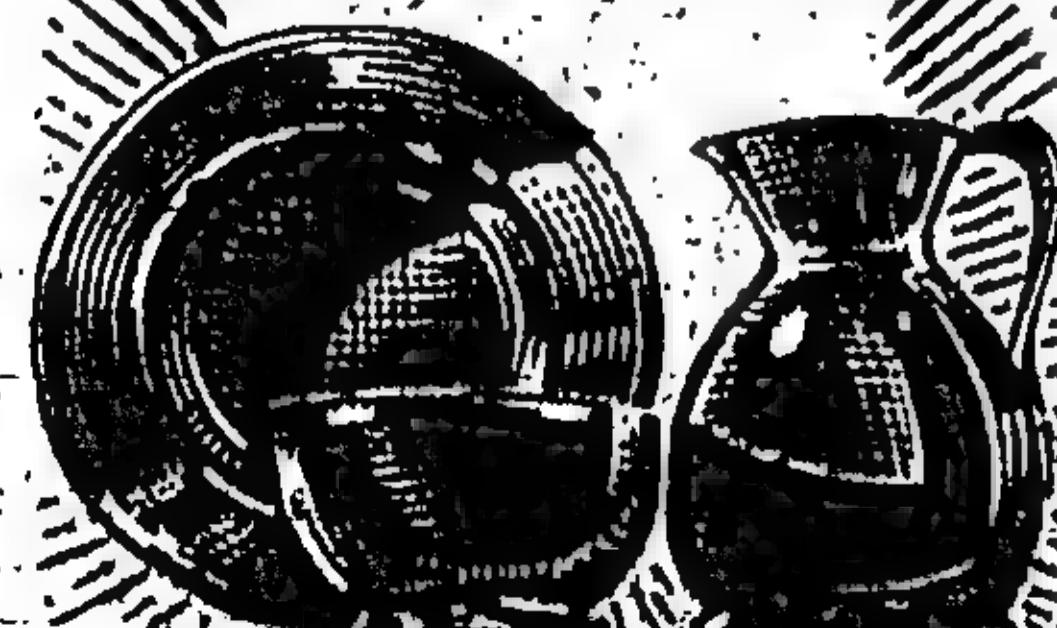
"I have been using Baby's Own Tablets for twenty years, during that time I have been the proud possessor of seven babies. Words fail to express what Baby's Own Tablets meant to me in their first trying years."—Mrs. J. Smythe, Long Branch, Ontario.

"I am the mother of ten children and always keep Baby's Own Tablets in the house. I have found nothing to equal them as a laxative, not only for babies but for older children."—Mrs. S. Loshaw, Baptiste, Ontario.

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PEEL ANYMORE POTATOES, I'M
TURNING THE
SEEDS INSIDE OUT
BEFORE I PLANT
THEM!



CHARTREUSE AND BLACK SILK crepe are employed in this dinner gown designed by Dolly Tree for Virginia Bruce to wear in a new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer film. The blouse has straight neck and shoulder line with modified dolman sleeves. The skirt of simple, flowing lines has a full train. Bracelet and blouse ornament are of antique gold and amethyst.

Choice Of Sandwich Fillings

The influence of the cocktail party is apparent at the tea buffet, for which a variety of savoury trifles are nowadays provided.

There is a wide choice of sandwich fillings, such as foie gras, the new season's caviare, breast of chicken very thinly sliced with a few grilled almonds on top, fresh salmon with cucumber.

If less expensive fillings are required, asparagus points dipped in a vinaigrette sauce and rolled in

new bread and butter are attractive. So are tomatoes well seasoned, and eggs with chopped lettuce heart moistened with mayonnaise. Water biscuits can be crisped in the oven, spread thickly with cream cheese and decorated with chopped olive. Petits choux are delicious if filled with anchovy flavoured whipped cream.

It is important to have the buffet cool and tempting looking; if a refrigerator is not available it is a good plan to have a tub of ice placed behind the table where ices and cold drinks may be kept. Iced coffee and orangeade are liked as well as freshly made tea served with lemon or milk.

Every hostess has favourite cake and biscuit recipes for tea occasions. Here is a recipe for a refreshing jelly: Take 4oz castor sugar, 1oz sheet gelatine, 1½ teaspoonsfuls citric acid, the same quantity of essence of lemon and 1 pint cold water.

Melt sugar and gelatine in the water on stove, pour into basin, add citric acid and essence of lemon dissolved in the smallest possible amount of water taken from the pint. When cool pour into little paper cases or cups and serve chilled.

To make the petits choux boil together 1oz butter and 1 gill water, stir in 2oz sifted flour and cook well, stirring all the time.

Take off the stove, beat in the whole egg and the yolk. Roll the mixture into balls and bake them in a moderate oven for about 30 minutes. Then cut off the tops, scoop out paste from centres and fill.

Strawberries should be hulled and placed in a bowl, sprinkled with castor sugar and a little liqueur. Leave them for a while, then put into small glasses with a little of the syrup which has formed. Top each one with a wafer.



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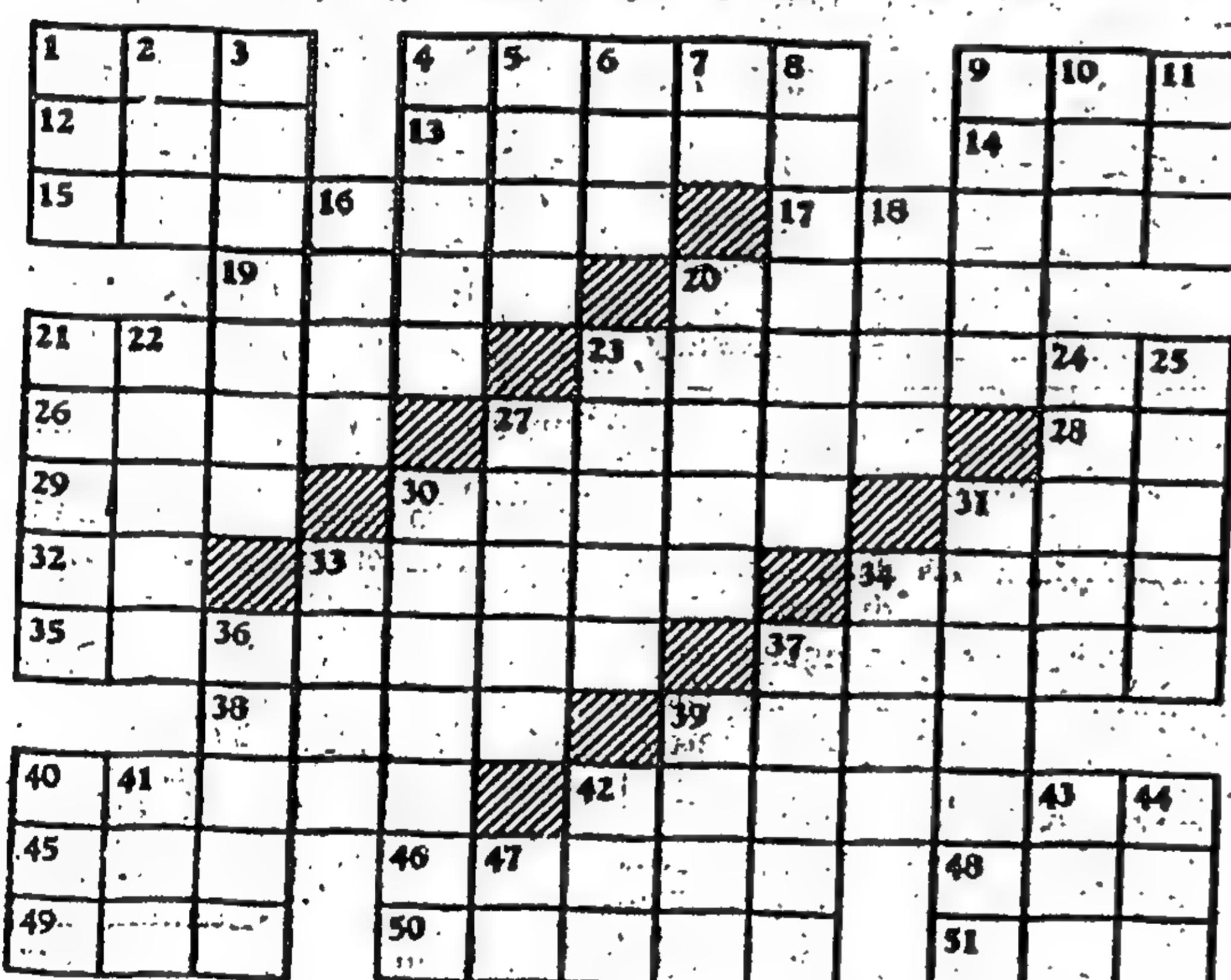
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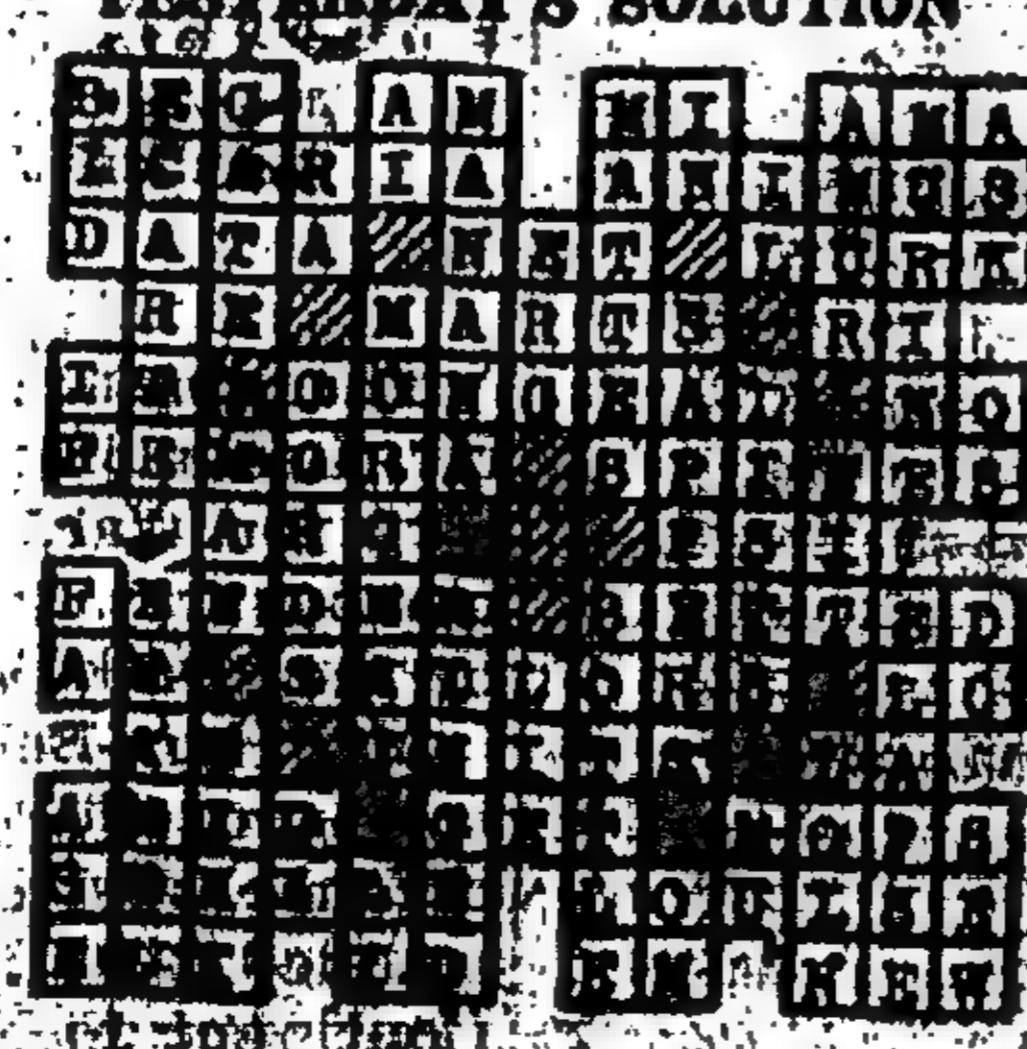
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- 1 Wooden pin
- 4 Style of type
- 9 Sleeveless coat
- 12 Beverage
- 13 To think
- 14 Conflict
- 15 Pertained
- 17 Home base
- 19 Hard
- 20 Heavenly body
- 21 Greek poet
- 22 Surrounded
- 23 Girl's name
- 27 Ingenious
- 28 Note of scale
- 29 Small piece
- 30 To spread outward
- 31 Energy
- 32 Corner
- 33 Conspiracies
- 34 To conceal
- 35 Delicate
- 37 Parts
- 38 Wing-like
- 39 Beck
- 40 Bolt
- 42 Most mournful

VERTICAL

- 45 Child in "Uncle Tom"
- 46 To avoid
- 48 Japanese statesman
- 49 Chum
- 50 Eats
- 51 Pile
- 1 Distant
- 2 French
- 3 To bound
- 4 Part of dynamo
- 5 Exposed
- 6 Among
- 7 One
- 8 Sea god
- 9 Prize
- 10 Club
- 11 Land measure
- 16 Wax god
- 18 Gaunt
- 20 Flies
- 21 Costume
- 22 Sheep-like
- 23 Rude children
- 24 To skip over
- 25 British titles
- 27 Ground grain
- 30 Drifted
- 31 Soft
- 32 To whimper
- 34 To retain
- 36 Pertaining to ships
- 37 Is borne
- 39 Commanded
- 40 Corded
- 41 Yellow bugle
- 42 Heavenly body
- 43 Music as written
- 44 Lid
- 47 Chinese measure

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China's Problems In Sikong

Chungking, To-day.

Dr. Shi Lu, a member of the People's Political Council, who has just returned from a tour of inspection of Sikong Province, gave an account of his impressions at the press conference yesterday.

Sikong, it will be recalled, was formally inaugurated on January 1 this year as an individual province consisting of the Betan frontier regions as well as the more fertile regions which formerly belonged to Yunnan.

The latter districts were transferred to the new province in order to make it self-sufficient.

The total Sikong region is now larger than that of Szechuan. Its population consists of only about 3,000,000 made up of over a million members of the Lolo tribe, about a million Kamings—Tibetan people—and the rest were Chinese.

Dr. Shi declared that when communications were completed by next Spring it would be possible to travel from Chungking to Tachienlu (Kangti), capital of the province, in four days by car.

No communications of any kind existed at the moment beyond Sienlu, which was situated on the border. Travelling was possibly only in sedan chairs or on horseback.

GOLD FINDS

Touching on the question of gold deposits which were said to be found in abundance in the new province, Dr. Shi stated that gold-dust was found all over the province.

The Lidi district was the most fertile region of all China and had more natural resources than any other part of the country.

Settlements west of Tachienlu were mostly at an altitude of over 4,000 metres. The fertility of the soil, accordingly, was not very great and the peoples inhabiting the region were very primitive.

When travelling, it was necessary to carry all provisions, for the sole food of the population consisted of a mixture of roughly-ground wheat, and water.

AUTHORITY IN LAMAS

Touching on the administrative tasks facing the Chinese authorities of the province, Dr. Shi said that at present all authority was vested

in the Lamas. Their temples were to be found in every settlement and every male child except the eldest sons were trained to be lamas.

The economic position of the priests was very strong, since practically all wills were made in their favour and since they held such a controlling position in trade and commerce that most business profits accrued to them.

They provided the only simple education.

PROBLEM FOR FUTURE

The Chinese authorities would find it difficult to discover Government-controlled substitutes, for there was a marked disinclination among the population to send children to Government schools; the parents often engaged a Chinese boy who, for a small sum, attended school instead of their own child.

Another obstacle to the modernisation of the province was the problem of land possessions. The inhabitants were very conservative and simply followed the conventions of their forefathers, without paying much heed to legal formulas.

The result was that in most cases the actual ownership of an estate was difficult to ascertain.

The Government would, however, tackle this question also.

The first aim in view, though, was the construction of a system of lines of communication. Only when connection existed with Szechuan, Yunnan and Chinghai would it be possible to open up the province and tackle successfully the individual problems.—Trans-Ocean.

EXCHEQUER RETURN

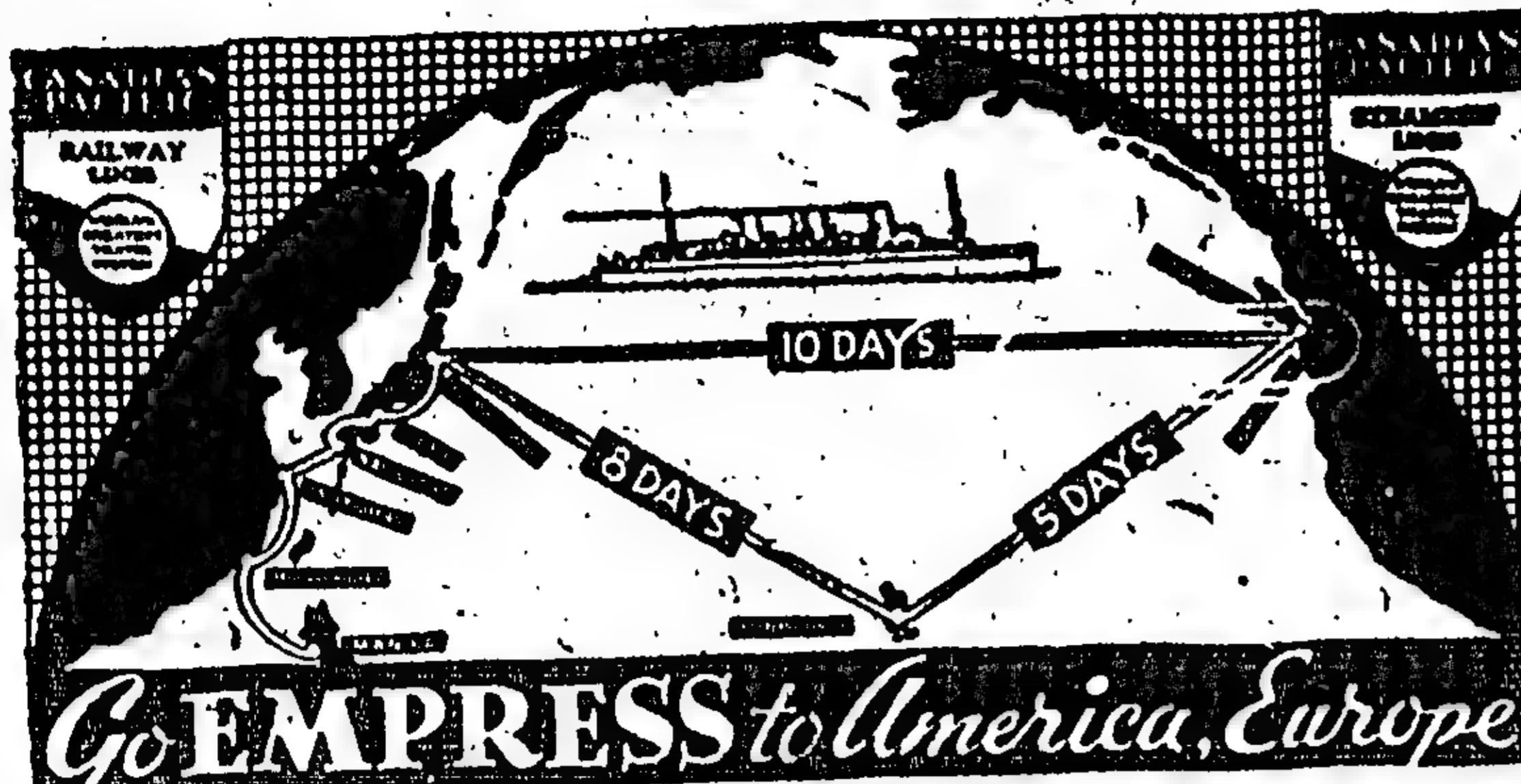
London, To-day. Exchequer returns show that ordinary revenue amounts to £232,000,678 compared with £213,111,329 at the corresponding date last year.

Total expenditure, less self-balancing items, is £374,442,951, compared with £341,655,188 at the corresponding date of 1938.—British Wireless.

HORE-BELISHA CRITICISED

London, To-day. The absence from England of Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, the Secretary for War, during the great air manoeuvres, has evoked an attack by the "Daily Herald" this morning.

Mr. Hore-Belisha, the paper says, is responsible for the country's defence, and it could well be demanded that he return from the Continent to be present at the manoeuvres.—Trans-Ocean.



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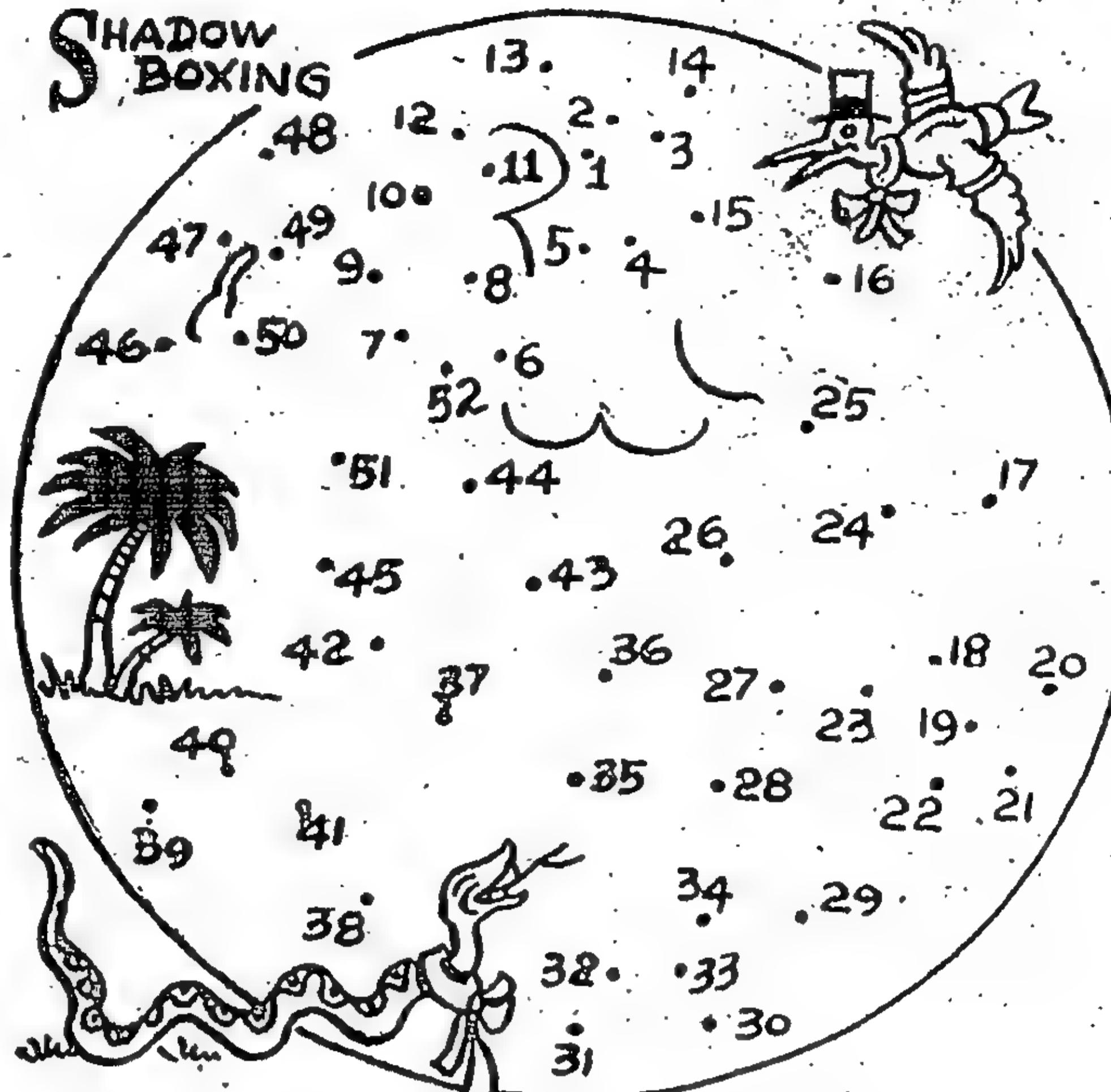
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Friderun, Melchers, due from Rabaul; Kowloon Wharf.

India, East Asiatic, arrived from Europe.

Mausang, I-C, arrived from Sandakan; buoy B-22.

Moni Rickmers (Jebsen), arrived from Shanghai; Kowloon Bay.

Taiseunhong (Jardine's), due from Shanghai.

SAILING TO-DAY

Chaksang, I-C, sailing for North China at 4 p.m.; buoy B-8.

Eurylochus, Blue Funnel, sailing for Shanghai at 1 p.m.; Holts Wharf.

Gaasterkerk, JCJL, sailing for Shanghai/Japan at 2 p.m.; Holts Wharf.

Hupch, CNC, sailing for Haiphong at noon; buoy A-13.

Memnon, Blue Funnel, sailed for Europe.

Sandviken (Jebsen), sailing this afternoon for Haiphong; buoy A-5.

Tweedbank, Bank Line, sailed for U.S.A.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations to-day:

INSURANCES

China Underwriters \$1 1/2 b., \$1 1/2 sa.

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Baguio Gold Ps. 21 sa.

Batong Buhay Ps. 101 1/2 b.

Benguet Consol. Ps. 10.60 sa.

Big Wedge Ps. 20 b.

Coco Grove Ps. 23 1/2 b.

Consol. Mines Ps. 1002 1/2 sa.

Demonstrations Ps. 100 b.

I.X.L. Ps. 43 b.

Ipo Gold Ps. 16 b.

Igorots Ps. 23 1/2 sa.

Mambulso Ps. 105 b.

Masbates Ps. 11 1/2 b.

Mind. Mother Lode Ps. 08 1/2 sa.

Mine Operation Ps. 13 1/2 sa.

North Camarines Ps. 23 1/2 b.

Paracale Guimaras Ps. 16 b.

San Mauricio Ps. 89 sa.

Suriagao Consol. Ps. 23 1/2 sa.

Suyoc Consol. Ps. 14 sa.

Syndicate Inv. Ps. 028 b.

United Paracales Ps. 41 1/2 sa.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-19/32.

Spot silver was quoted in London at 16-7/8 and forward at 16-9/16.

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HOME CRICKET

Hutton's Dashing Display Against Lancashire

Yorkshire Win Although Led On First Inns.

Goddard Again Among The Wickets

London, To-day.—Yorkshire continue to draw away from their rivals in the County Cricket Championship, an outright victory against Lancashire in the second "Battle of the Roses" increasing their average, whereas Middlesex, their nearest rivals, had their match with Sussex at Hove abandoned owing to rain before Sussex had completed an innings.

Gloucestershire another leading county, won easily against Somerset with an innings to spare. Goddard, the Test bowler, was again well to the fore with the excellent figures of 5 for 15 and 9 for 44.

Despite another fine bowling performance by Robinson, Yorkshire had quite a rough time of it. Only Hutton was able to do anything with the bat in their first innings and despite a dashing 105 not out scored out of 163, they were led by 54 runs.

With Robinson skittling Lancs out for 92 in the second innings, however, the necessary runs were hit off for the loss of 5 wickets.

Middlesex would have dropped even further down the championship table had they dismissed Sussex's last batsman. This rather curious situation arises from the present system of scoring which would have given Middlesex four points for a win on the first innings and thus lowered their average, whereas with the match abandoned, their average remains as it was before.

Hampshire, who have fared very poorly this season had to thank Baring's bowling for a splendid win

over Kent at Canterbury. Baring took 10 for 100 in the course of the match and Hants batsmen recovered sufficiently in their second innings to knock off the runs required for the loss of only 3 wickets, despite being led on the first innings.

Four matches in all were abandoned owing to rain.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

At Leeds, Yorkshire beat Lancashire, by 5 wickets.
Lancashire—217 (Robinson 5 for 80) and 92 (Robinson 8 for 35).
Yorkshire—163 (Hutton 105 not out) and 147 for 5.

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At Canterbury, Hampshire beat Kent, by 7 wickets.
Kent—161 (Baring 5 for 67) and 83 (Baring 5 for 33, Knott 4 for 23).
Hants—135 (Lewis 6 for 38) and 111 for 8.

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At Bristol, Gloucestershire beat Somerset by an innings and 109 runs.
Gloucestershire—329 (Emmett 96).
Somerset—106 (Goddard 5 for 15) and 114 (Goddard 9 for 44).

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Match between Sussex and Middlesex at Hove was abandoned as a draw with Middlesex 328 (Edrich 161) and Sussex 253 for 9.

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At Leicester, match between Leices-

I.R.C. TO PLAY S. CHINA TO-DAY

Weather permitting, the game between I.R.C. and South China in "A" Division of the Lawn Tennis League will be played at Sookunpoo this afternoon.

Winners of this match will earn the right to replay C.R.C. for the senior League championship.

I.R.C. will be represented by—S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn; Omar Rumjahn and I. M. A. Razack; A. R. Minu and A. H. Madar.

The South China team is not available.

BOWLING ALLEY JOTTINGS

THE outstanding feature in bowls activities at the Bowling Alley last week was the challenge game between the Black Dog and the "Tarpots" resulting in a win for the former in the first game by 51 points and a runaway victory in the second game for the "Tarpots."

The first game was very exciting as in the first frame the "Black Dogs" were only 4 points in the lead and drew further away in the second by another six points. In the last frame "Blackdogs" did better, to eventually win by 51 points.

The highest individual scorer in the game was Woolgar for the "Blackdogs" with 171 pins and Leading Stoker Taylor was a close second with 170 pins.

In the return game "Tarpots" won comfortably by 171 points. In the absence of A. B. Pearce, A. Odell deputised and it due to his fine bowling that the "Tarpots" were able to avenge their previous defeat.

A. B. Taylor again played a good game with an average of 150 pins a game.

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THE Fourth Round of the Mixed doubles between Doc. Molthen and Mrs. Soong, and A. Odell and Mrs. Horton, was keenly contested and resulted in a win for the latter pair by 46 pins.

The standard of bowling was very high Mrs. Horton making 488 pins against Mrs. E. Soong's 415.

In passing it would be interesting to mention that Mrs. Soong made a "spare" from one of the most difficult "splits" on the Bowling Alley, viz No. 4, 7, 9 and 10. It was a grand effort and well applauded by those who saw it done.

BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP

A.K. MINU'S EASY VICTORY

The following are the results of games played yesterday—in the Second Round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship.

At The Police R.C.
U. M. Omar beat S. E. Eccleshall 21—13 on the 22nd head.

A. K. Minu beat J. S. Landolt 21—6 on the 15th head.

At The Kowloon F.C.

M. R. Abbas beat R. P. Phillips 21—10 on the 21st head.

N. Hish beat V. N. Atienza 21—13

D. W. Waterton beat W. Ward 21—14

At Kowloon Bowling G.C.

T. A. Madar beat L. F. Xavier 21—17

on the 27th head.

At The Kowloon C.C.

J. C. Remedios beat E. de Souza 22—16 on the 23rd head.

K.C.C. TOURNAMENT

The following fixtures in the Kowloon Cricket Club annual tournament are down for decision to-day:

Court No. 1—A. E. P. Guest (holder) v. E. C. Fletcher (Senior Championship).

Court No. 2—D. Gross v. S. A. Gray (Senior Championship).

Court No. 3—W. C. Hung (—30.8) v.

THE "TARPOTS"

Sto. Kavanagh 169 181 199 549
Ldg. Sen. North 181 181 162 474

A. Odell 143 149 152 444
Ldg. Sto. Taylor 132 149 148 429

Total 1,896

THE "BLACK DOG"

G. D. Woolgar 157 171 193 521

J. Gracie 157 163 168 488

J. H. Connor 181 187 140 408

N. R. Kirk 120 118 147 380

Total 1,797

B. Soltan (—15) (Handicap "A").
Court No. 4—Mr. and Mrs. Wexham (scr.) v. Mr. and Mrs. Burnett (—30.8).
Court No. 5—N. A. E. Mackay (—15) v. A. Crawford (—40) (Handicap "A").



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THE PROBLEM OF BRUEN

Rapidly Becoming One Of The Enigmatical Figures

Public Schools' Lord's Cricket Festival

London, July 30.—For the next fortnight the Public Schools will hold the stage at Lord's, for the traditional "Lord's Fortnight" starts to-morrow with the usual match between Clifton and Tonbridge, followed by Rugby v. Marlborough and Cheltenham v. Haileybury, during the first week, and Lord's Schools v. The Rest, the Army v. Public Schools, and Young Amateurs v. Young Professionals in the following week.

Tonbridge have had a much happier season than Clifton, for whereas they have beaten Sherborne, Dulwich, and Lancing, and tied with Stowe, Clifton have been most unfortunate as regards their inter-school matches: rain causing the Sherborne match to be abandoned when Clifton had scored 106 for one wicket, the Cheltenham match being cancelled owing to illness, and the match with Rugby drawn.

TONBRIDGE CAPTAIN

Tonbridge have in P. G. C. Wood, their captain, an outstanding batsman, who has well deserved the honour of being asked to captain the Lord's Schools (for whom he scored a brilliant century last year) against the Rest. He has been in fine form this season, scoring 133 not out and 75 v. Sherborne, 101 v. Harlequins, and 85 v. Stowe. He has four old Colours with him, including C. L. Welford, a sound left-hand batsman, J. A. Dew, the wicket-keeper, and two good bowlers in J. L. Rampton and M. P. Rose-Price, the latter of whom has taken 7 for 30 v. Free Foresters, 7 for 92 v. Old Tonbridgians, 5 for 28 v. Sherborne, and 6 for 49 v. Stowe.

Clifton's captain, P. Kinnersley, is also a fine batsman, and scored a splendid 138 v. Old Cliftonians, but the bowling depends chiefly on N. Gibbs, who bowled well against Tonbridge last year, and this season has taken five for 46 v. M.C.C., four for 73 v. Rugby in their first innings of 306 for seven declared.

Of the twenty-six matches played since 1899, Tonbridge have won eight, Clifton six, eleven have been drawn, and one abandoned.

WELL MATCHED

Rugby and Marlborough appear to have very well-matched sides, but Marlborough's record in inter-school matches this season is the more impressive, for they have beaten Winchester and Cheltenham and drawn with Wellington and Harrow (after having declared at 314 for nine wickets), whereas Rugby were lucky to draw with Uppingham, who needed only two runs to win with four wickets in hand at the close, and had to be content with draws against Clifton, Wellington, and Repton. D. G. Lacy-Scott, the Marlborough captain, is a fine all-rounder, who scored 96 against Harrow and 63 against Wellington, and took nine for 80 in the match against Cheltenham, and five for 35 v. Winchester.

Marlborough have also a good spin bowler in B. R. Bland, who took five for 5 v. Winchester and eight for 51 v. Cheltenham. The batting, however, does not look as convincing as that of Rugby, who in H. C. Munro, the captain, L. G. H. Hingley, M. A. C. Beauman, R. M. Holman, and C. D. E. Burney have batsmen who can score runs quickly, with A. J. Pickard and W. H. D. Dunnett also hard hitters. Munro scored a particularly good 131 not out against Clifton and 108 not out v. Repton. In Dunnett (who took six for 29 and three for 36 against Marlborough last year) and G. H. H. Marriott, Rugby have two good opening bowlers, both fast-medium, but there is rather a lack of spin bowling, though Munro and Pickard have proved useful on occasions.

Rugby have won thirty-seven and Marlborough twenty-four of the eighty-one matches played since 1899, nineteen having been drawn, and one abandoned.

HAILEYBURY'S ONE DEFEAT

Cheltenham and Haileybury used to be evenly matched, though Haileybury have the better record in inter-school matches this season, having the better of drawn matches with Stowe and Wellington, their only defeat being by Eton. Cheltenham were beaten by Marlborough and drew with Malvern.

the match with Clifton being cancelled. Haileybury have an outstanding batsman in W. J. H. Shepherd, the captain whose best innings this season include 87 v. M.C.C. and 76 v. Uppingham. Their best bowler is A. L. Hardy, (fast medium), who bowled well against Eton, while the brothers J. H. and A. Fairbairn have given him good support. Cheltenham have two very fine batsmen in D. C. Brooke-Taylor, who has scored a century against Haileybury in each of the last two matches, and C. J. H. Paget, the captain, who scored a brilliant century against Haileybury last year. The brunt of the bowling has fallen on J. E. D. Mann and B. D. Neame (fast medium), but W. Duff is a useful spin bowler, who did well against Marlborough. Cheltenham have, incidentally, a first-class wicket keeper in S. C. S. Farmer, who is in his fourth year in the side.

Of the forty-two games played each school has won fourteen, and fourteen have been drawn.

RODERICK'S BRILLIANT FIGHT

London, July 28.—Ernie Roderick, British welter-weight champion, fought brilliantly at Liverpool last night to knock out Dave McCleave (London) in the fourth round of a contest scheduled for ten rounds.

This was Roderick's first fight since his unsuccessful bid for world honours against Henry Armstrong, the American, and although he was conceding McCleave many pounds in weight, he appeared to be the master. He boxed skilfully, particularly in defence, when McCleave was forcing matters.

A strong attack put the Londoner down for one in the second round, and after McCleave had made a desperate rally in the fourth, a right to the heart floored him for three. Roderick had McCleave on the canvas for three further counts of eight from two-handed punching, and he finished matters with a left hook to the body and a right to the jaw.

THE WAGGLE

By BEST BALL

Apparently every motion connected with the golf swing has its effect on the complete stroke. Even the waggle, that preliminary gesture to loosen up the muscles for the actual stroke, signifies to a considerable extent just how good the stroke is going to be. In fact, there are many golf analysts, who will go on record as stating that they can prophesy by this gesture what the ultimate result will be.

A short jerky waggle often denotes that the golfer is uncertain and tense; that the backstroke will be a hurried affair and the downswing a sudden lunge. A wide, slow waggle on the other hand tends to instill the backswing with the same qualities. Taking the club back slowly and with attendant body turn one has a better chance of making the stroke a success.

Friday.—A Remedy For Shanking.

SUCCESS AND FAILURE: A THORNY PATH

London, July 30.—James Bruen, the Irish youth, whose achievements in the past three seasons have brought his name into world prominence, is rapidly becoming one of the enigmatical figures of the game, writes a correspondent.

It is a compelling description because of a series of meteoric flashes, startling in their brilliance, but which come to nothing. Particularly is this so as regards the present season, three examples being sufficient to illustrate his rocket-like performances.

The first concerns the Amateur Championship in which for five rounds he thoroughly justified his position as first favourite, opponents being skinned out like ninepins. Then, for no apparent reason, his game suddenly underwent a change, and he was beaten in the sixth round by the ultimate winner of the title, A. T. Kyle. "Just a bad round, and then oblivion," as Jones, the famous American, once put it. Jones spoke feelingly, for his early failures both in the British and the United States Amateur championships gave rise to the suspicion that, in the language of the Turf, he "could not stay the course."

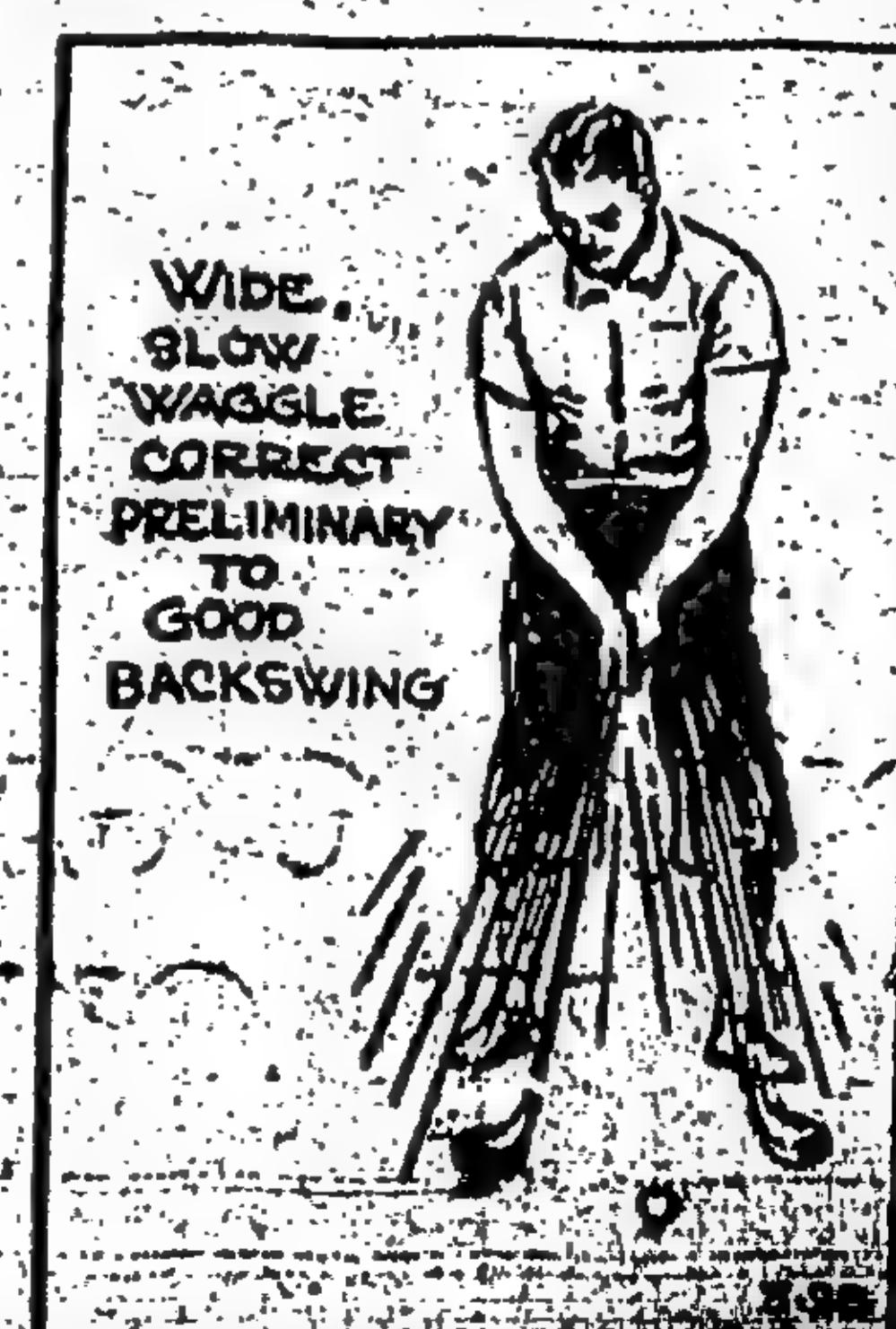
When at last—in 1924—he did break through there was no stopping him; in the next seven years he captured the U.S. Amateur title five times. Jones began his all-conquering career at the age of twenty-one, and as Bruen is only nineteen there is still time for him to break the ice. But will he? Before attempting an answer to the question it may be as well to proceed with the illustrations of Bruen's ill-starred fortunes.

The second concerns the Open championship, at St. Andrews, in which he leaped into favouritism by reason of a couple of wonderful 69's in the qualifying rounds, each score a new record for the Old and the New Courses. The scores were so easily and faultlessly compiled that it seemed impossible that he could do other than continue much in the same way for the rest of the championship. He did nothing of the kind, his average for the remaining four rounds being 74½, or 4½ strokes per round more. With a total of 298 he shared thirteenth place with three others, one of them being Cotton.

WHIRLWIND START

Bruen may feel well satisfied to finish on the same mark as so distinguished a player, but no satisfaction can possibly be derived from his amazing experience in the Irish Open, the last of the three examples. Bruen again started in whirlwind fashion, this time with a dazzling 66, a new record, and one which virtually spread eagle the field. R. A. Whitcombe, for instance, being as many as ten strokes behind. And yet such was the nature of Bruen's collapse that Whitcombe finished seven strokes ahead of him, having gained seventeen strokes in three rounds, nine of them in the last.

GRAPHIC GOLF



What is to be made of it all? Since returning from Ireland I have been asked dozens of times: "How do you account for these extraordinary in-and-out performances?" Well-known professionals whose opinions on matters of technique are to be respected seem agreed that there is no mystery about it. In effect, they say: "No player with a swing like Bruen's can get away with it for ever; sooner or later it finds him out." They refer to the "kink" or "loop" at the top of the swing, which, in reality, is a twirl of the hands preparatory to the downward movement. Though not so noticeable as formerly, the "kink" is still there, and it is to be imagined that it will never be entirely eradicated. Most people would say, "If I could drive as far as Bruen I wouldn't care how many kinks there were in my swing." The professional reply would be: "Quite so; but what happens when things go wrong, as they are bound to do? Nothing; you flounder on, hoping for the best, but fearing the worst." He would add that the swing of the professional is always under control, but if things go amiss he is conscious of the proper adjustment, and how and when to apply it.

FATAL FAULT

It is when playing under pressure that the golfer with the ungrooved swing generally comes to grief. He tries to steer the ball, and that is always fatal. In substance, this is the professional summing-up of Bruen's swing. Cotton has a great admiration for the youth's golf, and, while admitting that the swing is a little unorthodox, he would attempt no alteration, because, being a natural style, it has to be developed on its present lines. Any radical change would be disastrous.

As a golfing genius, Bruen is comparable to Jones in his early days. He experienced many bitter disappointments before breaking through, and it looks as if Bruen is destined to tread the same thorny path. A slight youthful impetuosity in circumstances demanding a clear head and severe restraint may possibly account for these uneven displays. At any rate, the wide margin existing between a 66 in one round and 81 in another requires some explanation.

I do not think there is much to be said for the professional view based on the swing, because, whatever the manoeuvre, Bruen meets the ball with the clubhead square at impact, and at a speed which most professionals would give their ears to attain. Other things being equal, speed of clubhead at impact is the governing factor of length, and the fact that Bruen drives 300 yards and over suggests the development of a special technique which it would be extremely unwise to change, even if it were possible to do so.

It is my view that, because of his youth, and the comparative lack of experience in championships in which there is a good deal of mass excitement on the part of the stampeding crowds, the strain of hanging on to a lead is, at present, just a little too much. If, instead of letting off all his guns at the start, he reserved some of them to the finish, the results of some of Bruen's efforts might conceivably be vastly different.

Despite the recent setback, I see no reason to reverse my judgment of the young Bruen's position in the game. He is a natural player, and, if he can learn to control his natural gifts, he will be a great golfer.

THE COUNTY LAWN TENNIS TITLES

Struggles To Gain Promotion

CENTRE COURT PLAYERS

London, July 30.

While the Davis Cup has been reaching its antepenultimate stages in the American and in the European zone, writes F. R. Burrow, interest in the game in this country has, during the past week, been mainly confined to the "battles of the groups all over the country for the Inter-County Championships on grass courts."

The struggles of the various counties, either to reach the top of their group and so move into a higher group next year, or to avoid occupying the last place, which entails descent into a lower, have never made any impression on the daily papers, which seldom do more than give a brief account of the previous day's results in the top group of the men's and women's competitions and ignore the struggles of the less distinguished counties altogether; but the players in all of these matches throughout the competition undoubtedly get a great deal of fun out of them and a week's stay at many pleasant places.

Of the two competitions, the men's is more appreciated by those who take part in it; playing women's doubles and nothing else for a week on end does not appear, from all I have heard year after year, to offer any very rapturous enjoyment to women, especially to those in the more lowly situated counties. But they continue to turn out every year to play for their counties, all the same; and more credit to them.

YEARS OF ENDEAVOUR

At the beginning of the week Middlesex were the holders both of the men's and the women's championships. In the men's they have won eighteen times out of the last twenty years, but now that both Surrey and Yorkshire have ploughed their way up into Group I, after years of endeavour, Middlesex may have found their work cut out for them during the week. They are so well captained, however, that even if by the time these lines are read they should have been dispossessed of their honours, it should not be long before they regain them. It would be very pleasant to see Warwickshire head the list for a change. The championship ought to go to the country more often, and the Midlanders certainly made an excellent start.

The men's competition was concluded at Scarborough on Friday, and Warwickshire, who came through unbeaten, scored their third victory. The final placings in Group I. were:—

Warwickshire, 5 wins; Middlesex (holders); 3; Surrey, 3; Kent, 3; Yorkshire, 2; Lancashire, 0. Yorkshire and Lancashire thus go down to Group II.

The Middlesex ladies have not been so dominant in their competition, for Surrey have won eighteen times to their twelve; only once in the last thirty-two years has any other county broken into this metropolitan monopoly. This was Sussex, in 1925, when their chief opponents made the mistake of underrating their abilities, and consequently (and rightly) had to pay for it.

Middlesex retained the Ladies' County Championship, which was concluded at the Torbay Country Club on Friday. The final totals were Middlesex (holders), 5 wins; Warwickshire, 3; Surrey, 3; Devon, 2; Kent, 1; Cheshire, 1. Kent and Cheshire are relegated to Group II.

I suppose that to play a match on the Centre Court is the crown of most Wimbledon players' hopes. To win or lose it is of relatively small importance; the fact of having played there at all is a life-long memory. Considering that there are only twelve days' play in the championships at Wimbledon, and that no more than five matches a day can be played on the Centre Court, as a rule—that is to say, only about sixty matches in all—it may be interesting to discover how many of the competitors at the recent meeting, just over 220 in all, achieved that ambition.

FACTS AND FIGURES

On analysing the daily programmes, and adding in two or three extra matches which were transferred from outside courts, it will be found that no fewer than forty-three men and thirty-two women appeared on the Centre Court at least once during the fortnight. That one occasion was the only one for twenty-two of the men and thirteen of the women. The largest number of matches played there, naturally, considering that American players carried off all the championships, were played by Americans, of whom R. L. Riggs played twelve and E. Cooke eleven; Mrs. Fabian twelve and Miss Marble eleven neatly balancing the appearances of their men compatriots.

No other players came anywhere near these four in respect of number of matches played there. Among the men J. Brugnon, F. Puncic, H. Henkel, and F. H. D. Wilde each had four

PAIRS MATCH TODAY

The quarter-final Open Pairs match between H. Nish and W. Robson and W. Gill and G. Duncan will be played to-day at Kowloon Football Club.

matches, and J. Borotra, R. A. Shayes, and C. E. Malfroy three—no-one else more than two. Of the women, Miss Stammers had five, Mrs. Hammersley four, and Mlle. Jedrzejowska, Miss Helen Jacobs, Miss G. Wheeler, Miss N. B. Brown, Miss R. M. Hardwick, and Miss B. Nuthall three.

Of the fifteen "home" men who had a Centre-Court match, only seven played there more than once; of the nineteen "home" women (including a plate match), eleven had only one match there. But statistics are dull stuff—let me finish with a human story. One day during the past Wimbledon I met an old friend, and congratulated her on being down to play that day on the Centre Court. "Yes," she said, "I was down to play there once when you were referee, but it came on to rain, and next day the match was put on to another court. It has been the dream of my life to play there, and now it's really going to happen." And it did.

TIE IN CAPTAIN'S CUP

M. J. Reidy and E. T. McMullen tied in their contest for the Captain's Cup played at Fanling on Saturday and Sunday.

Their scores were:

M. J. Reidy 97—24—73

E. T. McMullen 80—7—73

There will be a play-off. There were 27 entries. The Optional Pool was cancelled.

The West Indians did not let up with the ball or in the field, and the 12,900 people who had paid at the gate left well content with the knowledge that they had had their money's worth and the hope that they had seen the cricket of the home team definitely on the up grade—D. R. Jardine.

(Continued from Col. 4) Roderick, could have beaten Roderick with his left hand.

Jack would have felt like a big bully in the same ring with Armstrong, and would have won the world's championship in a ridiculously easy manner."

SPORTS PARADE

THERE were probably a great many followers of athletics in the Colony who were puzzled at the absence of reference to Sydney Wooderson, the amazing British miler and present holder of the world record for this distance, in connection with the August Bank Holiday meeting at White City.

Reason is that Wooderson will not run again this season. During a special mile race at Newcastle-on-Tyne on July 26, which Wooderson won in 4 mins. 15.2 secs., he strained himself. The injury was not regarded as serious at the time, but, on returning to London, it became worse.

A couple of days later he visited a Harley Street specialist who advised him to rest till next year.

Wooderson, naturally disappointed, is nevertheless philosophical about it all. He realises that if he does any further racing this year he might injure himself permanently.

In statement to a reporter, Wooderson said: "I want to be fit for the Olympic Games next year, so I am going to leave the track until next spring, and just look after myself. It is a great disappointment to me as I particularly wanted to run against Elaine Rideout on August Bank Holiday."

WOODERSON'S place in the Mile was taken by S. E. W. Cox (Southgate Harriers). Cox ran fourth in the A. A. A. Three Miles championship and third in the three-mile race at Manchester a fortnight ago in which C. A. J. Emery set up a new British record.

IT is noteworthy that the three American athletes of whom great deeds were expected, were not mentioned by Reuter as having met with any success at White City.

They are Watson, who was entered in the Shot, Discus and Long Jump, Batiste the high hurdler; and Miller the quarter-miler.

Watson and Batiste are negroes, the former being probably the finest all-round athlete in the world.

IN addition to the British and American entries, other countries represented at the Meeting were France, Belgium, Estonia, Greece and Luxembourg.

The three Estonians who competed are among the three best field events performers in the world. Kreek, in the shot put, is European champion and record-holder, and Kupsaar is the best pole-vaulter on the Continent today.

M. B. Osendarp, the European sprint champion, was to have taken part but a muscle pulled in the recent A. A. A. championships will keep him out of action for some weeks yet.

ALTHOUGH they may be rather out of date as regards the fight itself, the following comments on Henry Armstrong, based on his display against Roderick, may be of interest to boxing enthusiasts.

"The negro is terrific in his tireless method of fighting, throwing punches every second from every angle, and relentlessly coming forward all the time.

I was prepared for this type of fighting, but I was disappointed. He's only got about two orthodox punches in his bag, namely, a left and right inside jolt to the head and body.

HIS other punches are all swings. He frequently leads with his right and hasn't a straight punch in his make-up.

He is not a great puncher, for he must have landed hundreds of solid blows to Roderick's head, and never once brought him down.

It is condition more than anything else that is necessary for a fighter to beat this astonishing negro.

His pace is terrific, and like his style of fighting, never varies for the duration of the bout.

Remembering that he is only a little man (and he is a fighting weakling as will probably never be duplicated for many a day).

Poor Roderick was done to a frazzle. He did everything he could to keep Henry on, but his punches didn't carry enough weight. Our old friend Jack Carroll, at the time of his retirement,

(Continued on Col. 3)

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Miss Nuthall A Good Captain THE PROSPECTS AND SOME PROBLEMS

London.—Now that such excitements as there were over Wimbledon have evaporated, writes F. R. Burrow, the majority of players both those who were lucky enough to be competitors at the championships and those who failed to enter that charmed company, are settling down to the less exacting tennis to be found every year in the "holiday" tournaments.

I say the majority, because in the case of a few there are different prospects before them. Various tours and matches will be taking up at least a portion of the time of those whose merits have been, even late in the day, recognised by the teams selection committee of the L.T.A.

Of these expeditions, much the most important is the visit to America of a team of six English girls who will be sailing about the end of this month in quest of that very elusive symbol of tennis sovereignty among women, the Wightman Cup. Elusive so far as England is concerned; it is now nine years since our last victory, and fifteen years since the only occasion on which we have ever won when the match was played on American soil. We generally have hopes; quite often we make a really good start; but in the end the Americans have, of late years, always rallied and won, even in the alternate years when the match is played at Wimbledon.

Why this should be is hard to say. If Mrs. Moody had been playing regularly for the U.S.A., that would be almost a sufficient explanation in itself; but except last year she had not been a member of the team for six years. Miss Helen Jacobs and Miss Alice Marble, the two next best Americans, have not been always invincible; but, as a team, and under the clever captaincy of Mrs. Wightman, the original donor of the cup, the Americans have always succeeded in gaining that margin of four matches to three, and occasionally a less narrow one, which keeps the Cup in their possession.

INTENSELY HUMID HEAT

Another cause which has always militated against the chances of our players when the match is in America is the intensely humid heat of August in New York, for they are never there long enough to become really acclimated. Most of those now going out, however, have been there before and know what to expect, so it will not come as an unpleasant surprise to them.

This year six adventurers are making the voyage. They are Miss B. Nuthall, who captains the team, Miss N. B. Brown, Mrs. Hammersley, Miss R. M. Hardwick, Miss V. E. Scott, and Miss K. Stammers. Miss Nuthall should make a thoroughly good captain; it may be hoped that the remembrance that she is the only English woman ever to have won the American championship will inspire her. But no one can envy her the decisions she will have to make as to the arrangement of her team for the seven matches to be decided. These consists of five singles and two doubles.

The two players selected to head the team each play one single against their two "opposite numbers" in the U.S.A. team. One other member plays one match against one American. Two pairs each play one double. Presumably, Miss Stammers and Miss Hardwick will play the two top singles, and Miss Scott, or possibly Miss Nuthall herself, the third. Miss Stammers and Mrs. Hammersley are the obvious pair for one double; how the other pair will be composed is by no means an easy problem to settle. Miss J. Nicoll, Miss Nuthall's regular partner this season—and very well they have done—is rightly considered by her parents too young to go to America: Miss Yorke, or the cleverest doubles player, is still left out of the team: Miss N. Brown has been sent without her regular partner, Miss R. Jarvis.

SWAPPING HORSES?

These two were the only regular pair available after Miss Stammers and Mrs. Hammersley; why they should have been separated would be difficult to explain if it were not for the curious policy adopted by L.T.A. to rain.—Reuter.

JAMES RETAINS WELSH HEAVY- WEIGHT CROWN

London, July 25.—After a fight in which neither man distinguished himself, George James (Cwm) retained the Welsh heavy-weight championship at Swansea last night, his opponent Jim Wilde (Swansea) retiring in the eleventh round. When the end came Wilde appeared to be slightly in front, but, with a left eye bleeding profusely, and showing signs of tiredness, the Swansea man signalled his retirement.

There was nothing spectacular in the contest, as both men, slow and cumbersome in their movements, relied on their hard punching to do the damage. Tommy Farr, former British champion, who has been helping James in his training, was introduced from the ring, and although he was not in James's corner, there was evidence of his teaching in some of James's counter-punching.

U.S. BASEBALL

New York, To-day.—The following are the results of major baseball matches played yesterday:

American League—New York 4, Washington Senators 7; Philadelphia 2, Boston 9; Chicago 5, Detroit 3; National League—Cincinnati 7, Chicago 5.

Other games were postponed owing

COTTON TO BE MARRIED

Notice has been given at a London register office of the forthcoming marriage of Henry Cotton, the professional golfer, to Mrs. Maria Isabel Moss (nee Estanguet), herself a golfer of some note.

Mr. Cotton, who is 32, gives his address as Arlington House, Arlington St., London, S.W.

His fiancee was formerly the wife of Mr. Enrique Moss. She is 37 and lives at "Shangri-La," Little Gaddesden, Herts.

The date of the marriage has not yet been fixed.

Henry Cotton, who is now professional to the Ashridge Golf Club, Berkhamsted, has had a spectacular golfing career and is the outstanding figure in British golf.

Mrs. Moss has played with Cotton, whose big matches she frequently follows.

She won the Austrian women's open championship in 1937, and with Cotton as partner played in the annual Professional and Ladies' mixed foursome tournament at Calcot, Reading.

LOCAL SOCCER

Opening Fixtures

The following are the fixtures for the first week of the local soccer season which starts on Saturday, September 28.

The remaining fixtures will be arranged by the Fixtures Sub-committee later, as Rugby fixtures, camps and other factors have to be ascertained before the complete fixture list can be drawn up.

SATURDAY, SEP. 23, 1939

First Division

Middlesex v Kowloon
(Sookumpoo, 4.45 p.m.)
Eastern v Kwong Wah
(Club, 4.45 p.m.)
South China "B" v Club
(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)

Second Division ("A" Section)
Club v Eastern
(Club, 3.15 p.m.)
Kit Che v 8th R.A.
(Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)
5th R.A. v 30th R.A.
(Sookumpoo, 3.15 p.m.)

Second Division ("B" Section)
Kowloon v Signals
(Kowloon, 4.45 p.m.)
Kwong Wah v Middlesex
(Prince Edward Rd., 4.45 p.m.)
University v Police
(St. Joseph's, 3.15 p.m.)

Third Division
R. Scots v R.A.S.C.
(Military, 3.15 p.m.)
12th R.A. v R.A.M.C.
(Stanley, 3.15 p.m.)
Stonecutters v South China
(Kowloon, 3.15 p.m.)
Engineers v Kumaons
(Military, 4.45 p.m.)
5th R.A. v R.A.F.
(St. Joseph's, 4.45 p.m.)

Third Division
24th R.A. v Electric
(Stanley, 3.15 p.m.)
A.C. v Signals
(Chatham Road, 3.15 p.m.)

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24, 1939

First Division
S.C. "A" v St. Joseph's
(Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.)
R. Scots v Police

Second Division ("A" Section)
R.A.O.C. v South China
(Caroline Hill, 3.15 p.m.)
2nd Division ("B" Section)
R.E. v R. Scots
(Sookumpoo, 3.15 p.m.)

LOCAL SOCCER

Interport In Shanghai In November

At a meeting of the Interport sub-committee last night it was decided to inform the Shanghai Football Association that Hong Kong were willing and able to send a team to Shanghai in November for the 1938-39 Interport.

It was revealed at the meeting that Navy players, if chosen, would not be available owing to the uncertain movements of ships. The Army representative could not inform the meeting whether Army players, if chosen, would be able to make the trip.

Mr. W. Chen, for the Chinese Clubs, informed the meeting that he had ascertained that the South China players would not go, if chosen. He had not received a reply from Eastern as regards their players, while the Kwong Wah players would be available.

It is considered that there will be an international football match between Hong Kong and Shanghai in November.

J. D. LANGLEY BEATEN AT MONTREAL

Montreal, July 24.—John D. Langley, of Ashridge, the only British competitor in the Canadian Amateur Championship, lost at the nineteenth hole to Ray Gedcliffe, of London, Ontario, in the first round on Mount Royal, here to-day. Price.

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H.M. The King's
Review of Fleet

12.12.20 p.m.—Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Robert Renard Dance Orchestra and Bing Crosby (Vocal).
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Hildegard (Vocal) and Harry Roy and His Orchestra. Oh! You Sweet Thing—Fox-Trot; Shine—Quickstep....Harry Roy & His Orchestra. The Glory Of Love (Billy Hill)...Hildegard (Vocal) with Carroll Gibbons & His Boy Friends. Pop Corn Man—Fox-Trot; Home Again Blues—Quickstep....Harry Roy & His Orchestra. The Scene Changes (Billy Hill); Fritz (introducing "The Village Band"—Hart & Bligh)....Hildegard (Vocal) with Piano. Got A New Pair Of Shoes—Slow Fox-Trot (film "Thoroughbreds don't cry"); Swing Is Here To Sway—Quickstep (film "Ali Baba goes to Town")....Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Latest Variety Numbers. Orch.—"The Story of Vernon and Irene Castle". Intro: Waiting for the Robert E. Lee; Oh! you beautiful Doll; Missouri Waltz; Yama, Yama Man; Only when you're in

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my arms; Too much Mustard....Louis Levy With His Orchestra. Vocal w. Orch.—Billy Williams' Songs. Intro: When Father Papered the Parlour; I wish it were Sunday night to-night....Lupino Lane & His Lambeth Walkers with Orchestra. Fox-Trots—A New Moon and An Old Serenade; And The Angels Sing....Geraldo & His Orchestra. Cinéma Organ—Torch Tunes of the Times. Intro: I Go for That; Deep Purple; Gotta Get Some "Shut-Eye"; Hold Tight; I Promise You; I Miss You in the MorningSydney Torch. Fox-Trots—I'm In The Mood for Swing; Ring Dem BellsLionel Hampton & Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6 p.m.—Musical Comedy.
"The Love Parade"—Selection (Schertzinger)....Jack Payne & His B.B.C. Dance Orchestra with Vocal Refrain by Jack Payne. "Bitter Sweet"—Vocal Gems (Noel Coward)....Columbia Light Opera Company with Orchestra.
"The Desert Song"—Selection (Romburg). Savoy Orpheans.
6.20 p.m.—London Relay—Commentary

on H.M. The King's Review of the Royal Naval Reserve Fleet.

6.30 p.m.—Songs by Mavis Bennett (Soprano) and Beniamino Gigli (Tenor). The Doll's Song ("Tales of Hoffmann"—Offenbach); Wine, Women and Song (Strauss)....Mavis Bennett (Soprano) with Orchestra.

L'Ultima Canzone (Tosti); Occhi Di Fata (Danza)....Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) with Orchestra.

6.47 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.50 p.m.—A Programme of Old Dance Favourites. Fox-Trots—Never Gonna Dance (from "Swing Time"); A Little Robin Told Me So....Henry King & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—There's That Look In Your Eyes Again (from "Head over Heels")....Ambrose & His Orch.

Waltz—A Garden Of Illusion; Tango—The Tango Of The "Mula"....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

Fox-Trots—Make Believe (from "Show Boat"); Ol' Man River (from "Show Boat")....Henry King & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—The Piccolino (from "Top Hat"); A Sweet Beginning Like This....Leo Reisman & His Orch.

Waltz—Stars In My Eyes (film "The King Steps out"); Fox-Trot—A The Cafe Continental....Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—You (from "The Great Ziegfeld")....Jimmy Dorsey & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—LostJay Wilbur & His Band.

7.30 p.m.—Half an hour of Scottish Music.

Kishmul's Galley ("Songs of the Hebrides"—arr. Kennedy Fraser)....Moray Macdonald (Soprano) with Piano (Sung in Gaelic).

Strip The Willow (arr. Diack); Petronella (arr. Diack)....Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

Jessie, The Flower Of Dunblane (Smith); Annie Laurie....Joseph Hislop (Tenor) with Orchestra.

Triumph (Traditional); The Hawmakers (Traditional)....Scottish Country Dance Orchestra.

Harry Lauder—Vocal Gems (arr. Byng). Intro: I Love a lassie; Kil-

liecrankie; Bonnie Leerie Lindsay; Waggle o' the Kilt; Something in the bottle for the morning; Tobermory; Stop your tickling Jock; The Kitty Lads; She is my Rosie; She is my Daisy....Scottish Male Voice Singers with Orchestra.

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Quartet In D Major, Op. 44, No. 1. Stradivarius String Quartet.

8.27 p.m.—Schubert Songs by Elena Gerhardt (Mezzo-Soprano).

The Fisherman; The Secret; Fisher-Ways....with Piano accom. by Goemraad V. Bos.

8.37 p.m.—Beethoven—Symphony No. 7. In A Major, Op. 92. Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra of New York conducted by Arturo Toscanini.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—Howard Jacobs and His Saxophone.

At Dawning (Cadman); Down In The Forest (Sir Landon Ronald); From The Land Of The Sky-Blue Water (from "Four American-Indian Songs"—Cadman); I Love The Moon (Rubens).

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Commentary on H.M. The King's Review of the Royal Naval Reserve Fleet.

10.15 p.m.—A Programme of Latest Dance Music.

Quickstep—Sing, My Heart (film "Love Affair"); Fox-Trot—Wishing (film "Love Affair")....Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—I'm Gonna Put You In Your Place; Got No Time (from "The Cotton Club Parade")"Fats" Waller & His Rhythm.

Waltz—Waltz Of My Heart (from "The Dancing Years"); Quickstep—Angels Never Leave HeavenVictor Sylvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—We've Come A Long Way Together....Jack Harris & His Orchestra.

Slow Fox-Trot—The Pretty Little Quaker Girl; If I Didn't Care....Geraldo & His Orchestra.

Tangos—Sangre De Suburbio; Quebranto....Orquesta Tipica Francisco Canaro.

Fox-Trots—Picture Me In Parade; After All These Years....Mantovani & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trot—RompingFrankie Newton & His Orchestra.

11 p.m.—Close down.

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♦ Q 9 7 3 W E ♦ 10 8 4
♦ 10 9 8 5 S ♦ 7 6 2
4
♦ A K Q 9 8 6 2
♥ 7 5
♦ K 4
♦ K 3
Mr. Schenken

The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ Pass 3NT Pass
6♦ Pass 7♦ Pass
Pass Pass

In a rubber Bridge game Howard Schenken arrived at a Grand Slam contract that would have been a laydown except for the unfortunate fact

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Mr. Schenken led a low diamond, finessed dummy's Jack, then played a spade through East. East split his honours, Mr. Schenken won with the Queen, then overtook his King of diamonds with dummy's Ace and ruffed a diamond. Now a second finesse for the King of hearts was taken. When this was successful, Mr. Schenken trumped dummy's last diamond, East meanwhile discarding a heart.

Next a heart was led to the Ace and a heart ruffed, East discarding a club. And now dummy was entered for the fifth time with a club. At this point East was down to the Jack and one spade, and since Mr. Schenken held a tenace over him, the Jack was finally captured.

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♦ A K J x x
♥ x x
♦ Q 10 x x
♦ x

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Burnstone Maier You Jacoby
Pass Pass 1♦ Pass
2♦ Pass (?)

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Oswald Jacoby is your partner. You hold:

♦ Q 10 9
♥ 7 10 8 8 x
♦ Q 10 9 x
♦ x

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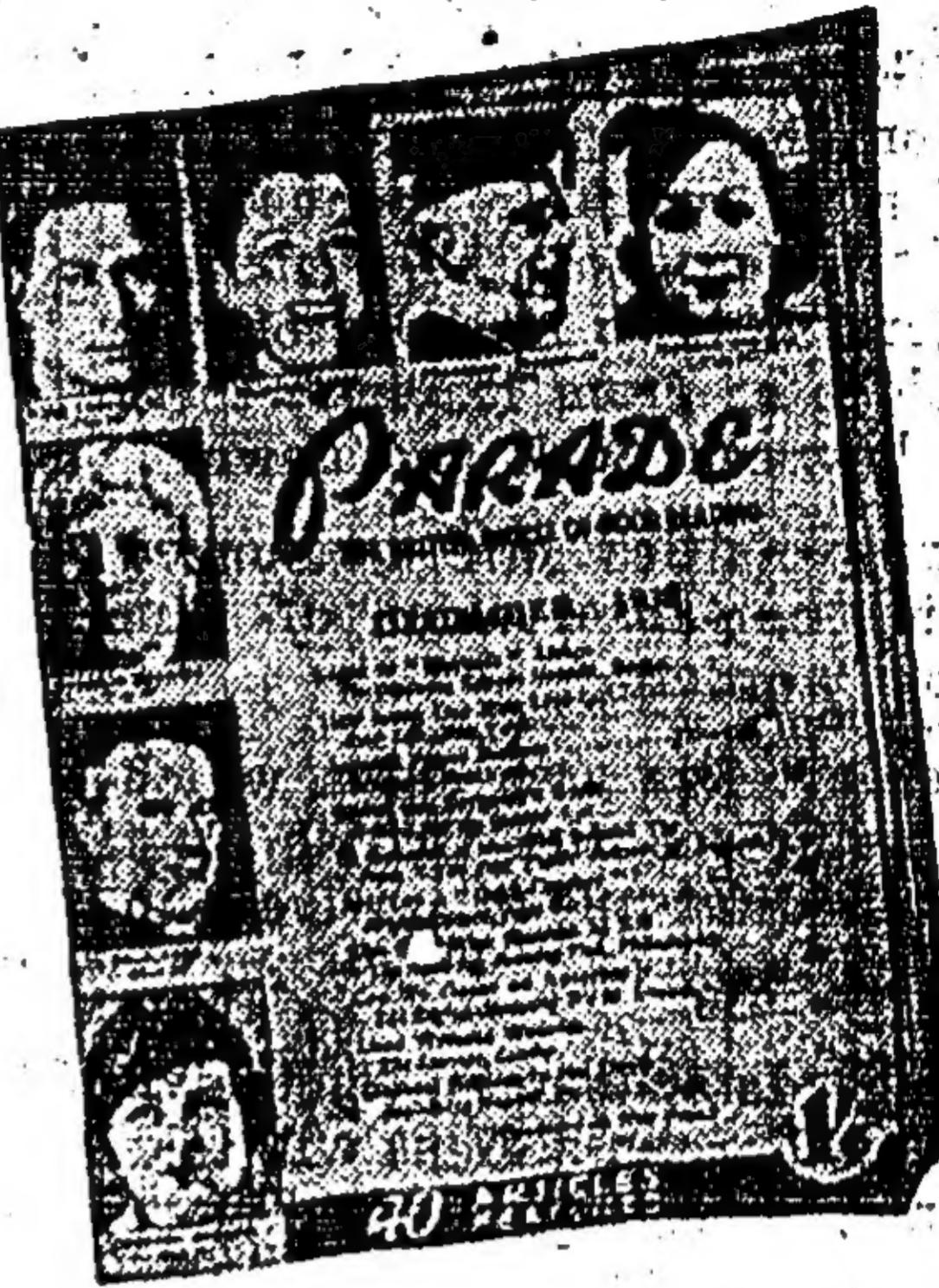
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BIG-SCALE MANOEUVRES AT GIBRALTAR

Madrid, To-day.

Preparations on an exceptionally large scale for manoeuvres of the British Army, Navy and Air Force in Gibraltar on August 9, 10 and 11 are reported from Algeciras.

The Governor of Gibraltar has called on the population for the execution of work in connection with the defence of the peninsula. An order has been issued prohibiting residents from leaving their houses between dusk and dawn.

Severe penalties are announced for the non-observation of the "blackout" orders.

Yesterday, five warships which are to reinforce the British fleet in the Mediterranean arrived in Gibraltar.

Landing detachments and civil anti-air-raid organizations will take part in the manoeuvres.—Trans-Ocean.

BADLY BEATEN

With blue marks on her thighs and arms, the result of a beating with a feather duster, a 13-year-old Chinese girl was brought before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning when

GAMBLED AWAY LARGE SUMS AT MACAO

Admitting embezzlement of \$2,851 (Chinese currency) and \$352.61 (H.K. currency), Choi Ting-fong, native of Ningpo, was this morning sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. Macfadyen.

Det.-Sgt. J. Johnston, said that accused was employed as a shroff. He received \$2,000 on behalf of his employer on July 22 from the Ling Nam Knitting Factory and went to Macao, where he lost the money in gambling.

The master, not knowing that the \$2,000 had been collected by accused, sent him again on July 24 to the same factory where he received \$851. On the same day he collected \$352.61 from the Chung Wo Knitting Factory and went again to Macao.

He had only two cents in his possession when arrested!

"Complainant was partly to blame as he paid accused only \$40 (Chinese currency) as salary. A man like the accused would find it very hard to maintain a livelihood with about \$12 (H.K. money) in this Colony" said Det.-Sgt. Johnston.

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